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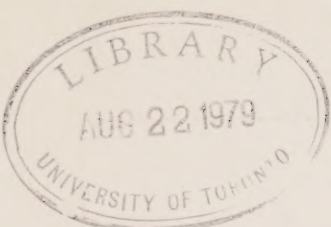
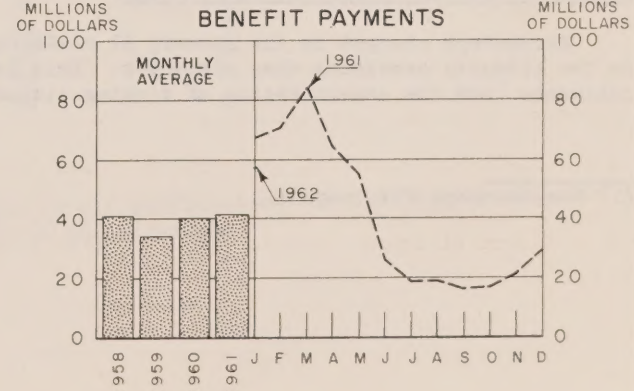
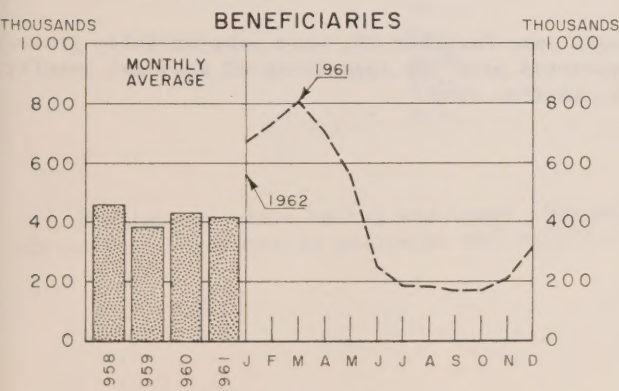
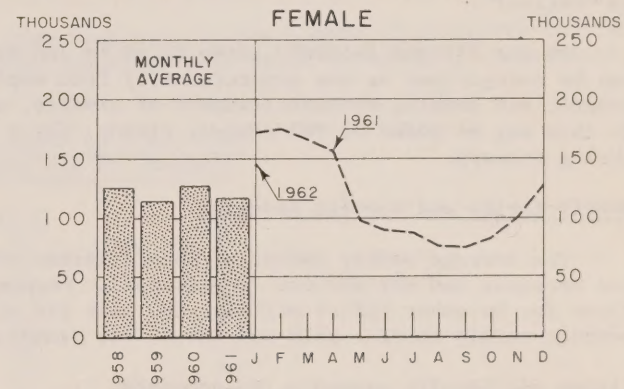
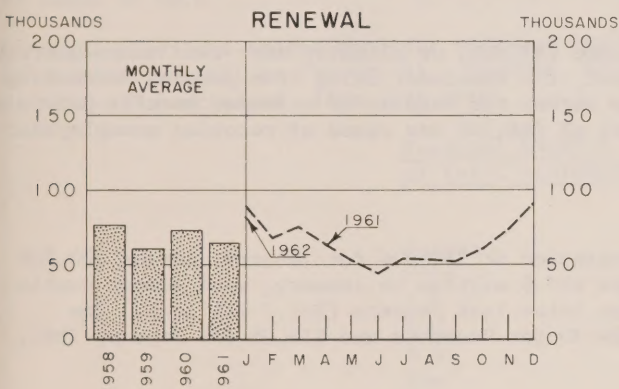
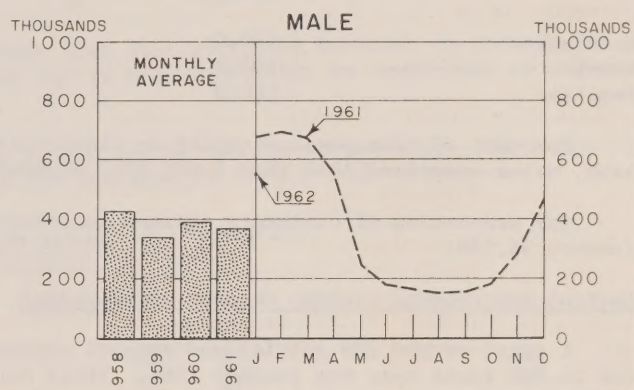
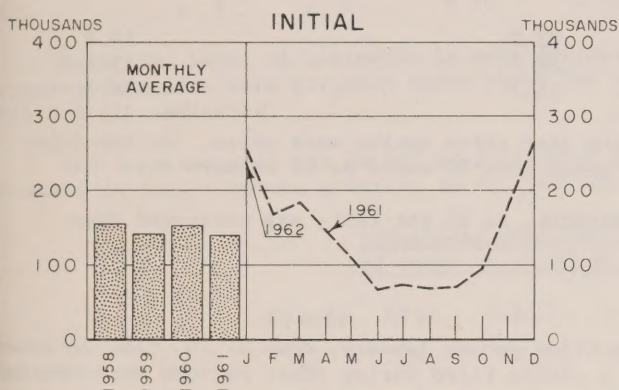
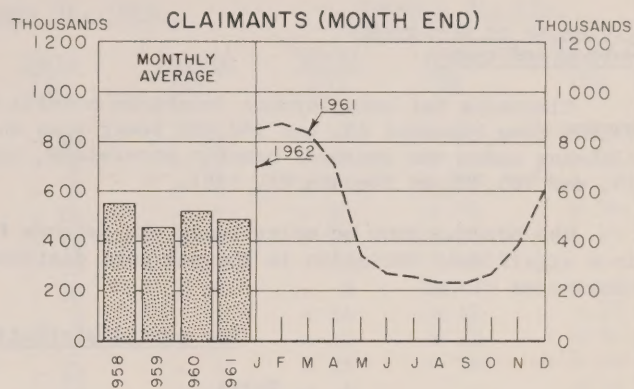
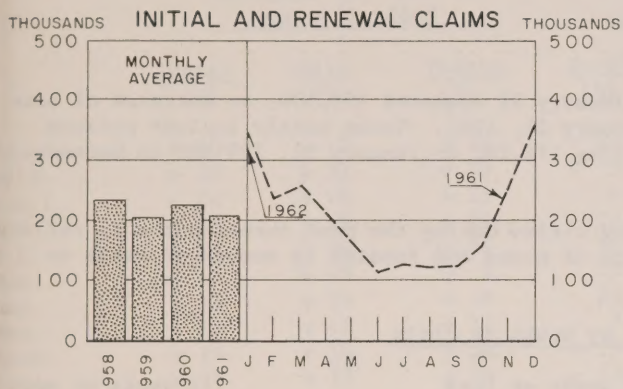


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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

January 1962

Claimants at month-end:
volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on January 31 numbered 698,500, an increase of some 97,000 from December 29, but 148,000 fewer than on January 31, 1961. These totals include persons claiming under the seasonal benefit provisions, totalling 174,200 on January 31, 108,500 on December 29, and 205,000 on January 31, 1961.

The predominance of males among the persons filing claims during the past three months is reflected in a significant variation in the per cent distribution of males and females by number of weeks on continuous claim.

Per cent distribution, by weeks on claim

	Total	12 weeks or less	13 weeks or more
Both sexes	100.0	83.2	16.8
Males	100.0	86.2	13.8
Females	100.0	71.7	28.3

Four out of five persons coming on claim during the last three months were males. On the other hand, males comprised less than 2 out of 3 persons on claim over 20 weeks as of January 31.

The proportion of claimants classed as seasonal benefit, at 25 per cent, was unchanged from January 31, 1961.

Initial and renewal claims: receipt and disposal

A total of 320,200 initial and renewal claims was filed during January, down 37,700 from December and 24,000 fewer than for January 1961. Three out of 4 claims filed during these periods were classed as "initial".

Of the 237,300 initial claims filed in January, some 183,600, or slightly more than three-quarters, can be categorized as new separations(1) from employment, the remainder being from persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits, under either the regular or seasonal benefit provisions. To this may be added 82,900 renewal claims, for a total of 266,500 new cases of recorded unemployment during January.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly number of beneficiaries was estimated at 560,100 for January, versus 320,200 for December and 672,500 for January 1961. Payments, at \$57.8 million in January, were almost double those for December (\$29.4 million) but were \$10 million below last January (\$67.7 million). The average weekly benefit paid was \$24.57 for January, \$24.20 for December and \$23.96 for January 1961.

Claims and benefit payments, by province

Percentage changes in the January 31 claimant count, over December 29, were substantially greater in the Atlantic provinces than elsewhere. This is associated with the importance of seasonal benefit claimants (and the concentration of fishing claimants), in that area.

(1) See footnote (1), page 9.

Percentage change in month-end claimant count

	<u>December 29, 1961 to January 31, 1962</u>			<u>January 31, 1961 to January 31, 1962</u>			<u>December 30, 1960 to January 31, 1961</u>		
	<u>Total (1)</u>	<u>Male (2)</u>	<u>Female (3)</u>	<u>Total (4)</u>	<u>Male (5)</u>	<u>Female (6)</u>	<u>Total (7)</u>	<u>Male (8)</u>	<u>Female (9)</u>
Canada	+ 16	+ 17	+ 12	- 18	- 18	- 16	+ 12	+ 13	+ 8
Nfld.	+ 30	+ 30	+ 23	- 5	- 4	- 12	+ 17	+ 17	+ 21
P.E.I.	+ 26	+ 26	+ 23	- 4	- 5	+ 1	+ 20	+ 21	+ 17
N.S.	+ 36	+ 38	+ 23	- 13	- 14	- 9	+ 20	+ 18	+ 36
N.B.	+ 25	+ 26	+ 18	- 14	- 16	- 4	+ 22	+ 23	+ 19
Que.	+ 15	+ 19	+ 2	- 23	- 23	- 23	+ 14	+ 18	-
Ont.	+ 13	+ 14	+ 13	- 20	- 20	- 19	+ 8	+ 9	+ 5
Man.	+ 13	+ 12	+ 17	- 3	- 3	- 3	+ 14	+ 12	+ 23
Sask.	+ 19	+ 16	+ 34	- 5	- 7	+ 5	+ 19	+ 18	+ 26
Alta.	+ 17	+ 17	+ 20	- 12	- 13	- 6	+ 18	+ 16	+ 22
B.C.	+ 7	+ 4	+ 20	- 16	- 18	- 10	+ 4	-	+ 16

While the level of claimants is substantially lower than last year, the December to January increases this year were slightly above those for a year ago in most provinces, as comparison of columns (1) and (7) indicates.

The importance of the longer term claimant group varies significantly, by province. The proportion classed as long-term was greatest in British Columbia and smallest in the Atlantic provinces.

Percentage distribution of claimants, by number
of weeks on claim as at January 31, 1962.

	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
12 weeks or less	83	92	94	85	87	83	81	84	84	83	80
13 weeks or more	17	8	6	15	13	17	19	16	16	17	20

All provinces except Manitoba showed a decline from last year in the number of claimants identified as seasonal benefit on January 31. However, the proportion classed as seasonal benefit, by province, is virtually unchanged from last year.

Seasonal Benefit claimants as a per cent
of total claimants, the end of January:

	<u>1962</u>	<u>1961</u>
Canada	25	24
Nfld.	47	47
P.E.I.	50	52
N.S.	33	31
N.B.	38	36
Que.	24	24
Ont.	20	20
Man.	21	18
Sask.	20	20
Alta.	18	16
B.C.	26	24

The January claim volume was lower than December in all provinces except Nova Scotia (where claims rose by almost 15 per cent) and Ontario where it was unchanged.

Percentage change in claims filed

	<u>December 1961 to January 1962</u>			<u>January 1961 to January 1962</u>			<u>December 1960 to January 1961</u>		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 11	- 11	- 10	- 7	- 7	- 7	- 23	- 22	- 28
Nfld.	- 41	- 45	+ 2	+ 15	+ 15	+ 17	- 49	- 52	- 20
P.E.I.	- 45	- 48	- 16	+ 17	+ 18	+ 13	- 54	- 56	- 39
N.S.	+ 14	- 7	+ 87	+ 4	-	+ 11	- 23	- 19	- 29
N.B.	- 21	- 22	- 16	- 3	- 2	- 8	- 29	- 30	- 27
Que.	- 15	- 12	- 21	- 15	- 15	- 15	- 23	- 20	- 30
Ont.	-	+ 3	- 8	- 6	- 5	- 7	- 21	- 19	- 27
Man.	- 12	- 8	- 23	- 2	- 3	+ 1	- 16	- 11	- 33
Sask.	- 18	- 13	- 34	- 4	- 3	- 7	- 22	- 19	- 33
Alta.	- 2	+ 1	- 8	- 7	- 7	- 9	- 6	- 1	- 17
B.C.	- 16	- 17	- 15	- 6	- 6	- 6	- 25	- 24	- 26

The proportion of initial claims approximating the new separations(1) from insured employment during the month exceeded 80 per cent in the Atlantic provinces. Elsewhere, this proportion ranged between 70 and 80 per cent. The concentration of fishermen in the Atlantic region is probably the main factor in this variation. This is because fishing claimants are, in the main, eligible only for seasonal benefit. The number of new initial claims, for January, in absolute numbers and as a per cent of all initial claims is shown below:

	<u>New initial claims</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of all initial claims</u>
Canada	183,569	77
Nfld.	8,006	85
P.E.I.	1,699	83
N.S.	10,984	80
N.B.	10,358	84
Que.	53,242	77
Ont.	57,904	77
Man.	7,759	71
Sask.	6,004	74
Alta.	9,563	77
B.C.	18,050	75

Industrial Classification of Persons Filing Initial(2)
Claims for Unemployment Insurance Benefit During December.

One out of every two persons filing an initial(2) claim during December represented a separation from employment in either manufacturing or construction, which contributed about equal numbers to the initial claimant total. An additional twenty per cent were previously employed in transportation, communication, other utilities or in trade.

However, in individual provinces there was considerable deviation from the national pattern. Manufacturing and construction accounted for as much as 57 per cent in Ontario, (32 and 25 per cent respectively), while in Newfoundland less than 30 per cent (12 and 17 per cent respectively) of the cases were thus classified. Elsewhere, the proportions were between these limits.

(1) See footnote (1), page 9.

(2) Data cover new cases only; i.e. exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits. Such exclusions comprised 10 per cent of all initial claims filed. See Technical Note in Glossary of Terms.

Percentage distribution of claims by industry
and province, December 1961.

Industry Group	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	231.6	16.3	3.8	13.0	14.2	68.3	62.8	10.2	7.9	10.5	24.5
	Per cent										
Forestry (mainly logging)	7	17	1	7	19	8	2	-	-	2	14
Fishing & trapping	5	22	23	18	8	1	1	1	-	-	11
Mining	2	2	-	6	1	1	1	3	2	5	2
Manufacturing	25	12	17	16	21	29	32	20	11	10	23
Construction	24	17	22	18	16	24	25	29	33	39	17
Transportation, commun. and other utilities	12	12	11	13	11	14	10	18	11	9	7
Trade	10	9	14	9	9	8	9	12	19	13	12
Service	8	4	4	5	7	7	10	9	9	10	9
Public Admin. & defence(1)	6	5	6	6	6	6	5	7	12	11	4
Other	3	1	4	3	3	2	4	2	3	2	4

(1) Includes all basic government service except Post Office, which is now included with communication.

More than one in five of the cases in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island represented claims from fishermen,(2) with the construction industry ranking second. In New Brunswick, claims from construction slightly outnumbered those from fishermen. One in five of the New Brunswick claims was from some segment of the manufacturing industry, the largest single component being food processing. Claims from persons engaged in logging were second in importance in New Brunswick while in Newfoundland this industry accounted for approximately the same volume of claims as did construction.

In central Canada, manufacturing was the single most important source of new claims, accounting for a third of the cases in Ontario and 29 per cent in Quebec. In both provinces, construction accounted for about 25 per cent of claims.

In two of the Prairie provinces construction accounted for a relatively greater volume of cases than any other industry in any other province. In Alberta, almost 40 per cent of claims were from construction; in Saskatchewan this proportion was 33 per cent and in Manitoba, just under 30 per cent. One in five claims in Manitoba represented a separation from manufacturing. In Saskatchewan one in five represented a separation from trade.

Manufacturing ranked first in British Columbia, construction second. These two industries made up about 40 per cent of the total. Forestry (chiefly logging) and trade totalled an additional 25 per cent.

Within the manufacturing industry there was considerable concentration in the durable goods segment and in the food processing segment of non-durables, as the following table illustrates:

	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
	Per cent									
All manufacturing	11.7	17.1	15.8	20.5	29.0	32.3	19.5	11.0	9.9	23.1
Durable	1.9	1.5	5.6	6.6	9.4	13.6	8.3	4.0	4.8	11.7
Non-durable	9.8	15.6	10.2	13.9	19.6	18.7	11.2	7.0	5.1	11.4
Food Processing	8.9	14.9	7.3	11.3	4.9	7.1	5.9	4.9	2.7	8.8
Other	0.9	0.7	2.9	2.6	14.7	11.6	5.3	2.1	2.4	2.6

(2) In coding cases to the fishing industry, persons whose occupation was "fisherman" were coded to the fishing industry even though the former employer's nature of business was "fish processing". This treatment is slightly different from the general coding practice of assigning a single code on the basis of the principal activity. Since, in the main, fishermen report themselves as self-employed, such cases constitute the bulk of persons coded to the fishing industry.

While lay-offs in food processing plants are reflected in all provinces, they accounted for a relatively higher proportion of the non-durable cases in the Atlantic provinces and British Columbia than elsewhere.

Examination of the month-end claimant count for those on claim 4 weeks* or less gives some indication of the sex composition of the emerging cases of recorded unemployment during the month. There are, however two qualifications which should be kept in mind. In the first place, the month-end claimant count would include those persons who came on claim during the month and filed a renewal claim. These persons would not have been included in the initial claim study. Secondly, it is inevitable that some persons never report back to the local office after filing an initial claim and, depending on the reporting schedule, some of these cases might not be included in the count of claimants currently reporting as of the month-end.

That the December claims had a higher proportion of males than the previous month is evident from the following table:

	<u>Males as a percent of all claimants</u>			
	<u>On continuous claim</u>		<u>On continuous claim</u>	
	<u>4 weeks or less</u>		<u>5 weeks or more</u>	
	Dec. 29, 1961	Nov. 30, 1961	Dec. 29, 1961	Nov. 30, 1961
Canada	83.0	80.4	71.4	65.0
Nfld.	96.8	95.9	86.2	79.1
P.E.I.	86.0	78.4	71.6	58.9
N.S.	89.9	86.7	80.1	75.9
N.B.	86.5	82.7	73.8	67.6
Que.	81.8	78.2	70.3	64.3
Ont.	78.1	77.7	68.3	62.5
Man.	83.1	79.8	76.6	69.3
Sask.	86.3	85.7	76.8	65.8
Alta.	86.6	82.7	71.3	60.9
B.C.	83.3	80.8	70.1	65.6

Variations in these proportions may be associated with the relative importance of industries, such as fishing and construction, in the claimant group. However, interprovincial variation in labour force participation rates for women is also a factor.

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* The total of month-end claimants 4 weeks or less probably includes a certain number who started on claim towards the end of the preceding month. For example, a person filing a claim November 27 would be included in the 2 weeks or less as of November 30 and if still reporting at the end of December would be included in the 4 weeks or less if the period covered by his last report in December was the week ending December 23.

Summary table

Activity	Jan. 1962	Dec. 1961	Jan. 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data	
				Dec. 1961	Jan. 1961	12 months ending	
						January	
						1962	1961
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,258	4,240	..	..	..	4,129*
Initial and renewal claims filed	320	358	344	- 11	- 7	2,436	2,738
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	699	601	847	+ 16	- 18	475*	524*
Regular	524	493	642	+ 6	- 18		
SB	174	109	205	+ 61	- 15		
SB Fishing	26	17	28	+ 53	- 6		
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	560	320	673	+ 75	- 17	408*	434*
Weeks compensated	2,353	1,217	2,824	+ 93	- 17	20,264	21,946
Benefit paid \$	57,799	29,447	67,660	+ 96	- 15	484,110	495,152
Average weekly benefit \$	24.57	24.20	23.96	+ 2	+ 3	23.89	22.56

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1961 - December	4,258,000	3,656,800	601,200 ⁽¹⁾
November	4,081,000	3,695,000	386,000 ⁽¹⁾
October	3,991,000	3,722,300	268,700
September	3,966,000	3,736,800	229,200
August	3,987,000	3,757,700	229,300
July	3,971,000	3,715,700	255,300
June	3,943,000	3,676,100	266,900
May	3,891,000	3,550,000	341,000
April	4,126,000	3,412,900	713,100
March	4,210,000	3,372,000	838,000
February	4,247,000	3,374,200	872,800
January	4,240,000	3,393,100	846,900
1960 - December	4,251,000	3,496,900	754,100

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (2)

Prov.	1962 - January - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	320,216	237,296	82,920	344,237	254,949	89,288
Nfld.	11,125	9,419	1,706	9,662	8,198	1,464
P.E.I.	2,363	2,045	318	2,021	1,739	282
N.S.	21,604	13,721	7,883	20,786	13,687	7,099
N.B.	14,799	12,277	2,522	15,237	12,495	2,742
Que.	91,724	69,088	22,636	107,770	81,196	26,574
Ont.	104,698	75,300	29,398	110,800	79,247	31,553
Man.	14,042	10,931	3,111	14,330	11,263	3,067
Sask.	9,960	8,074	1,886	10,329	8,304	2,025
Alta.	16,768	12,368	4,400	18,107	13,268	4,839
B.C.	33,133	24,073	9,060	35,195	25,552	9,643

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants.

(2) In addition, revised claims received numbered 66,623.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	January 31, 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	January 31, 1962									
CANADA -	698,538	167,126	98,876	214,634	100,673	40,122	23,151	53,956	39.5	846,940
MALE	553,422	133,492	81,069	181,846	80,959	28,795	14,827	32,434	42.8	673,931
FEMALE	145,116	33,634	17,807	32,788	19,714	11,327	8,324	21,522	26.7	173,009
Nfld.	36,264	7,213	7,090	15,520	3,553	1,115	463	1,310	83.0	38,091
Male	34,377	6,802	6,873	15,026	3,333	966	354	1,023	84.5	35,950
Female	1,887	411	217	494	220	149	109	287	56.1	2,141
P.E.I.	7,431	1,053	1,183	3,693	1,026	187	81	208	78.9	7,723
Male	6,219	906	1,023	3,167	821	134	50	118	81.3	6,520
Female	1,212	147	160	526	205	53	31	90	66.8	1,203
N.S.	41,071	10,674	6,722	12,314	5,025	1,804	1,249	3,283	54.2	47,348
Male	35,908	9,535	6,033	11,212	4,360	1,392	925	2,451	56.2	41,688
Female	5,163	1,139	689	1,102	665	412	324	832	40.3	5,660
N.B.	36,401	7,654	5,236	13,607	5,281	1,725	960	1,938	71.9	42,317
Male	30,287	6,663	4,560	11,829	4,286	1,239	549	1,161	74.2	35,921
Female	6,114	991	676	1,778	995	486	411	777	60.4	6,396
Que.	200,876	49,024	27,540	62,992	27,262	10,776	6,341	16,941	39.9	261,849
Male	161,092	40,400	22,968	53,950	21,799	7,838	4,166	9,971	42.9	210,266
Female	39,784	8,624	4,572	9,042	5,463	2,938	2,175	6,970	27.6	51,583
Ont.	202,609	51,716	28,423	56,021	28,937	12,242	7,313	17,957	24.4	253,747
Male	150,297	38,477	21,772	44,681	22,107	8,302	4,455	10,503	25.8	188,848
Female	52,312	13,239	6,651	11,340	6,830	3,940	2,858	7,454	20.5	64,899
Man.	35,322	7,586	4,567	11,376	6,055	2,288	1,149	2,301	33.9	36,519
Male	28,138	5,800	3,653	9,527	4,997	1,754	829	1,578	38.1	29,150
Female	7,184	1,786	914	1,849	1,058	534	320	723	17.3	7,369
Sask.	25,952	4,937	3,412	8,433	5,152	1,812	809	1,397	51.7	27,286
Male	20,798	3,804	2,622	7,221	4,446	1,392	515	798	56.4	22,377
Female	5,154	1,133	790	1,212	706	420	294	599	32.8	4,909
Alta.	37,393	9,370	5,010	10,178	6,451	2,736	1,370	2,278	32.9	42,305
Male	29,728	7,511	3,990	8,767	5,491	1,974	759	1,236	34.9	34,127
Female	7,665	1,859	1,020	1,411	960	762	611	1,042	24.9	8,178
B.C.	75,219	17,899	9,693	20,500	11,931	5,437	3,416	6,343	32.0	89,755
Male	56,578	13,594	7,575	16,466	9,319	3,804	2,225	3,595	34.5	69,084
Female	18,641	4,305	2,118	4,034	2,612	1,633	1,191	2,748	24.2	20,671

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.*

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
January - 1962							
Canada -	366,468	223,491	87,856	49,394	5,727	52,176	15,820
Nfld.	15,429	10,600	1,850	2,822	157	2,274	450
P.E.I.	3,006	2,260	351	378	17	321	51
N.S.	23,801	13,593	7,534	2,443	231	2,392	1,062
N.B.	16,387	11,011	2,534	2,640	202	2,441	623
Que.	108,780	66,526	25,259	15,514	1,481	17,271	4,706
Ont.	116,122	69,320	30,680	13,892	2,230	16,635	5,068
Man.	15,839	10,092	3,405	2,133	209	1,405	667
Sask.	11,779	7,756	2,187	1,698	138	1,551	399
Alta.	18,008	10,764	4,313	2,558	373	2,856	1,114
B.C.	37,317	21,569	9,743	5,316	689	5,030	1,680
January 1961							
Canada -	388,252	243,794	94,887	45,142	4,429	60,139	18,273
Nfld.	12,124	8,237	1,453	2,281	153	2,152	264
P.E.I.	2,519	1,946	276	278	19	256	70
N.S.	23,952	14,221	7,474	2,095	162	2,710	512
N.B.	17,323	11,673	2,985	2,508	157	2,268	562
Que.	123,119	78,042	28,688	15,148	1,241	21,497	6,040
Ont.	124,566	77,195	33,289	12,483	1,599	19,136	6,451
Man.	15,312	9,959	3,256	1,905	192	2,277	1,031
Sask.	11,702	7,683	2,342	1,580	97	1,728	412
Alta.	18,452	11,351	4,653	2,242	206	2,750	1,265
B.C.	39,183	23,487	10,471	4,622	603	5,365	1,666

* In addition 64,667 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 8,056 were special requests not granted and 1,920 were appeals by claimants. There were 17,369 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during January 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962*	32,219	1,773	271	1,698	2,020	10,531	8,489	1,244	1,048	1,505	3,640
	1961	31,341	1,416	190	1,540	1,909	10,946	8,355	1,183	934	1,511	3,357
Claimants disqualified	1962	37,101	1,606	189	1,573	1,404	11,433	12,170	1,655	1,161	2,188	3,722
	1961	31,955	1,448	168	1,057	1,321	10,522	10,471	1,398	1,039	1,565	2,966
Not unemployed	1962	1,951	43	27	76	66	634	513	113	211	129	139
	1961	1,514	37	31	38	41	644	384	69	135	63	72
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	11,258	343	57	459	412	3,357	3,920	587	347	604	1,172
	1961	9,048	296	33	271	378	2,583	3,400	419	377	495	796
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	324	-	-	-	14	86	178	1	-	11	34
	1961	191	1	-	1	-	35	74	1	-	1	78
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,829	36	7	137	75	686	554	60	37	112	125
	1961	1,737	4	14	73	97	607	627	58	38	119	100
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,687	20	4	53	34	619	635	63	27	94	138
	1961	1,224	28	3	31	28	388	497	49	19	62	119
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	8,626	361	39	303	360	3,000	2,368	428	248	642	877
	1961	7,395	336	38	309	405	2,709	1,836	415	249	479	619
Other reasons	1962	11,426	803	55	545	443	3,051	4,002	403	291	596	1,237
	1961	10,846	746	49	334	372	3,556	3,653	387	221	346	1,182
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* Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim												
during January	1962	15,442	1,029	193	725	1,109	5,037	4,417	367	332	473	1,760

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - January - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	560.1	672.5
Newfoundland	26.0	29.1
Prince Edward Island	6.3	6.9
Nova Scotia	30.6	36.8
New Brunswick	28.4	34.9
Quebec	159.6	200.3
Ontario	164.4	203.2
Manitoba	27.9	28.4
Saskatchewan	22.4	21.4
Alberta	29.8	32.6
British Columbia	64.7	78.9

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - January - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,352,548	57,799,308	2,824,373	67,660,186
Nfld.	109,216	2,587,038	122,035	2,905,052
P.E.I.	26,250	567,999	28,829	613,994
N.S.	128,590	2,924,795	154,693	3,381,099
N.B.	119,159	2,620,779	146,483	3,242,600
Que.	670,509	16,456,559	841,247	19,969,842
Ont.	690,559	16,994,426	853,456	20,532,881
Man.	117,262	2,973,175	119,347	2,912,456
Sask.	93,997	2,355,521	90,068	2,195,149
Alta.	125,060	3,180,879	136,850	3,374,461
B.C.	271,946	7,138,137	331,365	8,532,652

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

January - 1962

Canada -	2,186,549	165,999	111,967
Newfoundland	102,363	6,853	5,132
Prince Edward Island	25,089	1,161	824
Nova Scotia	116,574	12,016	9,205
New Brunswick	110,106	9,053	5,782
Quebec	624,896	45,613	27,843
Ontario	639,876	50,683	33,907
Manitoba	110,295	6,967	4,667
Saskatchewan	88,934	5,063	3,502
Alberta	116,011	9,049	5,896
British Columbia	252,405	19,541	15,209

January - 1961

Canada -	2,647,723	176,650	117,355
Newfoundland	116,539	5,496	3,730
Prince Edward Island	27,804	1,025	698
Nova Scotia	140,701	13,992	10,892
New Brunswick	137,269	9,214	5,819
Quebec	791,433	49,814	30,164
Ontario	796,066	57,390	38,280
Manitoba	113,326	6,021	4,020
Saskatchewan	85,687	4,381	2,974
Alberta	127,767	9,083	6,077
British Columbia	311,131	20,234	14,701

Seasonal benefit, 1961-62 period

The provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 20, 1961, to mid-May 1962, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 4 (1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their right to seasonal benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions if they wished to be re-considered for benefit. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks, (2) exhaustions would not occur before February 17.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since the preceding March 31. It follows, then, that no claims can be established in this class after March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class will be based entirely on contributions during this qualifying period. The duration will be 5 weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution, or a minimum of 13 weeks (subject to the exception in footnote 2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 20, 1961. The duration will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate (3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen) (4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing seasonal benefit claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 27.
- (2) Twelve weeks is the minimum on SBB claims. Where fewer than 12 weeks remain between the date of establishing the claim and May 19, the duration authorized will be equal to that number of weeks. For SB claims established subsequent to March 3 the duration will be under 12 weeks.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1962 - January - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	174,159	139,672	34,487	205,037	163,246	41,791
Nfld.	16,980	16,438	542	17,859	17,257	602
P.E.I.	3,730	3,175	555	3,999	3,457	542
N.S.	13,648	12,146	1,502	14,688	13,069	1,619
N.B.	13,765	11,544	2,221	15,396	13,109	2,287
Que.	47,249	37,924	9,325	62,537	49,958	12,579
Ont.	40,305	28,392	11,913	50,406	34,985	15,421
Man.	7,392	6,009	1,383	6,501	5,280	1,221
Sask.	5,287	4,195	1,092	5,510	4,424	1,086
Alta.	6,580	5,110	1,470	6,913	5,511	1,402
B.C.	19,223	14,739	4,484	21,228	16,196	5,032

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1962 - January - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	26,176	26,051	125	27,864	27,759	105
Nfld.	9,506	9,502	4	10,277	10,271	6
P.E.I.	1,881	1,827	54	1,953	1,913	40
N.S.	5,348	5,340	8	5,679	5,673	6
N.B.	3,577	3,557	20	3,982	3,963	19
Que.	1,071	1,067	4	1,253	1,250	3
Ont.	622	617	5	601	598	3
Man.	131	131	-	133	133	-
Sask.	-	-	-	4	4	-
Alta.	15	14	1	15	15	-
B.C.	4,025	3,996	29	3,967	3,939	28

Calendar Year totals, 1961 and 1960, Tables i to v.
Historical data, 1942 et seq, Tables vi to viii

During 1961 the insured population, averaging 4,100,000, was virtually unchanged from 1960, and the estimate for the end of December, at 4,258,000, was almost the same as a year earlier.

Examination of data covering the non-agricultural paid worker segment of the employed labour force during 1961 indicates an increase of some 70,000 or less than 2 per cent over 1960. On an industry basis, the largest year-to-year increase was in service, an industry in which unemployment insurance coverage is relatively low.

A total of 2,460,000 initial and renewal claims was filed during 1961, some 240,000 fewer than in 1960. For the month of high claim, December, this year's total was almost 100,000 lower than 1960. The count of claimants at the month-end averaged 487,000 during 1961, 30,000 lower than for 1960. The peak total in 1961 was 873,000 on February 28, as against 823,000 on March 31, 1960.

Payments rose to \$494 million in 1961 as against \$482 million in 1960. March 1961 payments were a record \$85 million, some \$10 million in excess of March 1960. The 1961 increase in payments, in contrast to lower levels of claims, is associated, to some extent, with the delayed impact of the two new contribution classes (and corresponding benefit rates) introduced in September 1959*. However, higher earnings, changing composition of claimants and differences in duration of compensatory periods are also contributing factors.

Additional information on the impact of the two new classes of benefit rates is available in Table v. The December 1961 average of \$24.20 was very little above the \$23.96 shown for January 1961. In 1960, however, the January average was \$21.91 in comparison with \$23.51 for December.

Provincial differences in average weekly rates reflect not only variations in earnings but also in the sex composition of the claimants. Other things being equal, a province where the claimant group is predominantly male will show a higher average rate than one where females are relatively more numerous.

* For further information on these changes, see the September 1959 issue in this series. See also, the November 1960 issue (p4) for discussion on the impact of the new rates.

Table i. - Estimates of Insured Population, Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed, Count of Claimants at month-end, by month, 1961 and 1960.

Month and year		Estimate of Insured Population at month-end	Initial and Renewal Claims filed			Count of Claimants at month-end		
			Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Male	Female
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
(Thousands)								
Calendar Year	1961	4,076 ⁽¹⁾	2,460	1,677	784	487 ⁽¹⁾	370 ⁽¹⁾	118 ⁽¹⁾
	1960	4,134 ⁽¹⁾	2,700	1,825	875	518 ⁽¹⁾	390 ⁽¹⁾	128 ⁽¹⁾
January	1961	4,240	344	255	89	847	674	173
	1960	4,296	307	237	69	783	616	166
February	1961	4,247	235	167	68	873	697	176
	1960	4,308	240	175	65	814	645	169
March	1961	4,210	259	183	76	838	671	167
	1960	4,307	284	203	81	823	656	167
April	1961	4,126	210	144	65	713	557	156
	1960	4,222	215	150	65	715	556	159
May	1961	3,891	162	109	53	341	243	98
	1960	4,110	166	110	55	364	258	106
June	1961	3,943	113	68	45	267	177	90
	1960	4,014	128	77	52	296	196	100
July	1961	3,971	126	72	54	255	168	88
	1960	3,985	140	77	64	294	192	102
August	1961	3,987	121	68	53	229	152	77
	1960	4,003	150	81	69	280	186	94
September	1961	3,966	122	70	52	229	154	75
	1960	3,998	140	79	61	280	186	93
October	1961	3,991	158	97	61	269	185	83
	1960	4,002	178	104	74	330	230	100
November	1961	4,081	253	178	74	386	286	100
	1960	4,110	304	207	97	485	364	121
December	1961	4,258	358	266	92	601	472	129
	1960	4,251	448	325	123	754	594	160

(1) Average of month-end data.

Table ii. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Provinces, by Month, 1961(1).

Province	Total 1961	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
(Thousands)													
<u>Initial and renewal claims</u>													
Canada -	2,460	344	235	259	210	162	113	126	121	122	158	253	358
Nfld.	72	10	7	7	6	4	2	2	2	2	3	10	19
P.E.I.	13	2	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
N.S.	128	21	12	13	14	7	6	7	10	5	6	11	19
N.B.	100	15	9	12	11	6	3	3	3	3	5	9	19
Que.	734	108	76	81	63	50	35	35	32	33	46	67	107
Ont.	828	111	76	84	68	58	42	55	47	51	54	78	105
Man.	103	14	10	11	8	6	4	3	4	4	7	14	16
Sask.	69	10	6	7	6	3	2	2	2	3	5	10	12
Alta.	131	18	14	16	12	9	5	5	5	6	10	16	17
B.C.	283	35	23	27	21	18	15	14	16	16	22	36	39
<u>Initial claims</u>													
Canada -	1,677	255	167	183	144	109	68	72	68	70	97	178	266
Nfld.	60	8	5	6	5	4	1	1	1	1	2	8	17
P.E.I.	11	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
N.S.	80	14	7	8	8	5	3	3	3	3	3	7	15
N.B.	76	12	7	9	8	5	2	2	2	2	3	7	16
Que.	509	81	55	60	44	35	21	21	19	19	28	47	79
Ont.	537	79	52	56	45	36	25	31	27	27	32	53	73
Man.	75	11	8	9	6	4	2	2	2	3	5	10	12
Sask.	52	8	5	6	4	3	1	1	2	2	3	7	9
Alta.	90	13	10	11	9	6	3	3	3	3	6	11	12
B.C.	187	26	16	17	14	12	9	8	9	9	14	26	29
<u>Renewal claims</u>													
Canada -	784	89	68	76	65	53	45	54	53	52	61	74	92
Nfld.	12	1	2	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	2
P.E.I.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
N.S.	48	7	4	4	5	2	3	3	6	2	2	3	4
N.B.	24	3	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	3
Que.	225	27	21	21	19	16	14	15	13	14	18	20	29
Ont.	291	32	24	28	23	21	17	23	20	23	22	26	32
Man.	28	3	2	3	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	4	4
Sask.	17	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3
Alta.	41	5	4	5	4	3	2	2	2	2	3	5	5
B.C.	96	10	7	10	7	7	6	6	7	6	8	9	11

(1) Comparable data for 1960 available in the January 1961 issue in this series.

Table iii. - Number of Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Province and Sex, during 1961(1).

Province	Monthly Ave.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
(Thousands)													
<u>Male and female</u>													
Canada -	487	847	873	838	713	341	267	255	229	229	269	386	601
Nfld.	19	38	40	37	30	10	6	5	5	5	5	14	28
P.E.I.	3	8	8	7	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	6
N.S.	25	47	48	48	39	16	13	11	12	11	12	19	30
N.B.	23	42	45	43	39	15	10	8	7	8	9	15	29
Que.	150	262	275	268	228	107	83	78	68	68	80	108	175
Ont.	153	254	258	249	213	115	94	97	81	86	90	122	179
Man.	22	37	39	37	33	14	11	10	8	9	14	18	31
Sask.	15	27	28	27	20	8	6	5	5	6	7	14	22
Alta.	25	42	44	44	38	19	12	11	10	10	15	23	32
B.C.	53	90	88	80	68	38	32	29	30	27	35	53	70
<u>Male</u>													
Canada -	370	674	697	671	557	243	177	168	152	154	185	286	472
Nfld.	17	36	38	35	28	9	5	5	4	4	5	13	26
P.E.I.	3	7	7	6	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	5
N.S.	22	42	42	42	33	13	10	8	9	8	9	15	26
N.B.	19	36	38	37	34	12	7	6	5	5	6	11	24
Que.	115	211	225	220	183	77	55	50	45	45	56	78	135
Ont.	109	189	192	185	153	77	59	62	52	58	60	87	132
Man.	16	29	31	30	25	9	7	6	5	6	10	14	25
Sask.	11	22	23	22	16	5	3	3	3	3	5	11	18
Alta.	19	34	35	35	30	13	8	7	6	6	9	17	25
B.C.	39	69	66	60	49	27	22	20	21	18	25	39	54
<u>Female</u>													
Canada -	118	173	176	167	156	98	90	88	77	75	83	100	129
Nfld.	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
P.E.I.	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
N.S.	4	6	6	6	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
N.B.	4	6	7	6	5	3	3	2	2	2	3	4	5
Que.	35	52	50	48	45	29	28	28	23	22	24	30	39
Ont.	44	65	66	64	60	38	35	34	29	28	30	35	46
Man.	5	7	8	7	7	4	4	4	3	3	4	5	6
Sask.	3	5	5	5	4	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	4
Alta.	6	8	9	9	8	5	4	4	4	4	5	6	6
B.C.	14	21	21	20	18	11	10	9	9	9	11	13	16

(1) Comparable data for 1960 available in January 1961 issue in this series.

Table iv. - Benefit Payments by Province and Month, 1961 and 1960.

Province	Total 12 months	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
\$'000													
Canada - 1961	493,971	67,660	70,989	85,188	64,540	58,704	25,890	18,551	18,866	16,082	17,115	20,938	29,447
1960	481,836	54,345	62,586	74,845	61,768	52,206	26,842	19,703	21,357	21,186	20,651	26,584	39,766
Nfld.	19,951	2,905	3,421	3,692	3,504	3,051	923	377	422	318	303	385	652
1960	18,413	2,337	3,137	3,611	3,138	2,170	942	365	389	349	343	552	1,080
P.E.I.	3,316	614	545	741	520	398	113	54	53	50	40	54	134
1960	3,399	650	634	695	569	276	95	60	56	57	47	62	198
N.S.	24,150	3,381	3,404	4,352	3,354	2,944	1,279	810	802	890	800	911	1,223
1960	22,037	2,743	3,221	3,623	3,149	2,199	1,277	779	849	817	917	967	1,496
N.B.	22,575	3,243	3,253	4,113	3,422	3,442	1,201	623	584	510	513	698	972
1960	21,293	2,743	3,018	3,537	3,479	2,585	1,011	613	645	679	657	885	1,441
Que.	149,958	19,970	21,563	26,376	21,083	18,322	7,573	5,630	5,550	4,764	4,982	5,864	8,281
1960	153,346	17,243	20,202	24,331	21,467	18,315	8,246	5,979	6,298	6,070	5,949	7,649	11,597
Ont.	156,597	20,533	21,886	25,964	18,416	17,625	8,872	6,960	6,954	5,845	6,421	7,331	9,789
1960	155,480	16,314	17,619	23,082	17,657	15,608	9,121	7,721	8,452	8,862	8,072	9,746	13,226
Man.	21,846	2,912	3,147	3,998	2,814	2,573	1,083	684	704	602	696	1,030	1,602
1960	18,327	2,111	2,722	2,983	2,405	2,043	1,022	567	586	554	617	980	1,737
Sask.	15,211	2,195	2,494	3,068	1,913	1,594	602	375	444	375	419	642	1,089
1960	13,614	1,824	2,268	2,522	1,829	1,440	633	360	373	316	333	568	1,148
Alta.	25,485	3,374	3,663	4,538	3,265	3,095	1,433	847	853	675	788	1,182	1,772
1960	23,707	2,580	3,079	3,576	2,849	2,658	1,486	962	926	856	984	1,416	2,335
B.C.	54,881	8,533	7,612	8,346	6,249	5,659	2,811	2,191	2,499	2,054	2,154	2,841	3,934
1960	52,221	5,799	6,686	6,884	5,227	4,911	3,009	2,297	2,782	2,628	2,732	3,759	5,507

Table v - Average Weekly Benefit Rate(1), by Province and Month, 1961 and 1960.

Province	12 month average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
(Dollars)													
Canada - 1961	23.82	23.96	24.07	23.99	23.98	23.68	23.57	23.13	22.98	23.22	23.52	23.76	24.20
1960	22.31	21.91	22.00	22.20	22.18	22.17	22.11	21.81	22.01	22.65	22.85	23.19	23.51
Nfld.	24.09	23.81	23.14	23.84	24.49	25.78	26.72	22.97	23.05	22.73	21.42	22.09	23.81
1960	22.14	21.72	21.83	21.88	22.08	22.76	22.29	21.31	21.70	21.98	21.69	22.98	24.18
P.E.I.	21.35	21.30	21.11	21.40	22.11	21.82	21.19	19.99	19.68	19.94	19.71	20.40	21.10
1960	20.32	20.52	20.44	20.45	20.43	20.30	19.65	19.31	19.18	19.11	19.03	19.63	20.49
N.S.	22.46	21.86	22.39	22.50	22.59	22.38	23.43	22.16	21.97	23.33	22.61	22.48	22.94
1960	20.80	20.03	20.49	21.12	20.29	20.39	21.79	21.23	21.78	21.23	21.89	21.03	21.38
N.B.	22.24	22.14	22.07	22.15	22.60	22.95	22.87	21.98	21.45	21.17	21.13	21.18	21.68
1960	21.15	20.77	20.95	21.00	21.16	21.41	21.47	20.94	20.99	21.13	21.41	21.55	21.73
Que.	23.69	23.74	24.07	24.10	24.09	23.46	23.29	22.75	22.50	22.95	23.18	23.22	23.84
1960	22.26	22.04	22.31	22.45	22.58	22.38	21.88	21.13	21.44	21.73	22.12	22.56	22.88
Ont.	23.89	24.06	24.31	23.95	23.86	23.59	23.46	23.35	23.06	23.36	24.03	24.46	24.32
1960	22.45	22.05	21.62	22.14	22.17	22.01	22.23	22.24	22.43	23.48	23.49	23.63	23.82
Man.	23.91	24.40	24.32	24.38	24.27	23.29	23.25	22.18	22.47	22.30	23.14	23.55	24.64
1960	21.85	21.78	21.72	22.01	21.82	21.67	21.82	20.55	20.57	21.14	21.83	22.92	22.71
Sask.	23.86	24.37	24.27	24.22	24.05	23.62	22.47	23.62	21.68	21.73	22.79	22.97	24.58
1960	22.11	21.45	22.41	22.90	22.21	21.58	21.24	20.79	20.59	20.61	21.15	22.28	23.67
Alta.	24.53	24.66	24.78	24.80	24.65	24.97	24.13	23.35	23.28	23.64	23.89	23.81	24.77
1960	22.83	22.83	23.04	22.58	22.71	23.30	21.91	22.31	20.15	22.52	22.81	23.41	24.45
B.C.	25.10	25.75	25.34	25.27	25.01	24.49	24.41	24.48	25.10	24.64	24.39	24.89	25.54
1960	23.44	22.78	23.22	22.77	22.69	22.84	23.19	23.15	23.84	23.97	24.23	24.77	25.25

(1) Including partial weeks.

Table vi - Initial and Renewal Claims for Unemployment Insurance Benefit
by Month, February 1942 - December 1961.

(thousands)

Month	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
12 month total	26.9	36.7	90.9	296.4	488.7	442.9	649.1	933.9	1,150.2	1,144.1
January	-	4.6	11.8	20.4	71.9	63.7	100.3	126.6	182.1	172.6
February .....	)	4.8	12.3	15.0	59.1	47.1	76.7	93.5	109.3	110.5
March .....	)	5.0	10.7	13.3	50.7	43.7	63.9	88.8	211.4	111.1
April	2.9	4.0	6.5	8.4	35.8	35.9	49.0	58.1	80.4	75.2
May	2.8	2.0	4.7	8.9	34.8	27.6	33.6	52.7	71.6	56.4
June	4.6	1.8	3.2	10.9	30.6	21.4	31.5	44.8	51.3	58.2
July	2.7	1.1	3.1	10.9	27.6	20.0	30.5	43.5	43.9	59.0
August	1.9	1.4	3.2	20.6	25.1	17.3	25.0	50.3	61.5	57.9
September	1.1	1.0	3.7	40.5	28.6	20.9	28.1	51.9	49.2	62.5
October	1.1	1.5	6.2	36.7	34.9	29.4	38.1	69.3	62.2	82.9
November	1.7	2.9	11.8	53.3	37.1	42.4	66.4	114.9	93.0	122.6
December	3.3	6.6	13.8	57.6	52.5	73.6	105.9	139.4	134.2	175.0

	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961
12 month total	1,391.3	1,679.7	2,102.2	1,929.8	1,625.4	2,373.2	2,780.5	2,428.3	2,700.4	2,460.5
January	212.7	223.7	293.2	311.0	263.8	361.1	367.4	317.5	306.6	344.2
February	141.3	172.6	216.1	238.7	188.6	192.7	243.9	220.9	240.3	234.6
March	155.5	181.5	250.8	247.1	176.5	195.2	253.3	230.1	283.5	259.4
April	101.0	117.9	159.5	155.9	139.1	163.5	217.5	206.9	214.6	209.6
May	83.8	71.5	113.4	97.6	84.1	104.3	165.1	134.4	165.6	162.1
June	68.8	72.8	114.8	90.4	55.2	86.4	155.7	107.1	128.5	112.8
July	75.3	75.9	106.3	81.6	73.5	114.1	167.4	122.3	140.4	126.2
August	61.0	74.1	112.7	88.6	75.0	115.3	139.7	102.4	149.6	121.2
September	64.7	85.6	109.5	87.6	65.0	124.9	157.6	115.1	140.3	122.0
October	88.0	123.2	127.6	94.7	87.9	167.4	191.2	151.2	178.2	158.1
November	123.4	188.9	187.7	159.8	151.4	249.1	246.6	278.6	304.4	252.6
December	215.9	292.3	310.6	276.7	265.2	499.2	475.2	441.6	448.3	357.9

Table vii - Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of each
Month, September 30, 1943 to December 29, 1961.

(thousands)

Year	12 Month Average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1943	-									1	1	2	6
1944	10	12	16	16	12	7	5	4	5	6	8	13	19
1945	41	27	30	27	19	17	17	19	29	48	62	85	113
1946	98	146	162	155	124	99	82	69	62	58	63	67	87
1947	71	106	112	107	86	63	50	43	39	39	45	62	102
1948	95	145	153	142	112	77	62	53	47	47	60	88	151
1949	149	203	216	198	150	115	95	94	94	95	115	172	243
1950	188	313	304	368	230	166	127	106	111	89	102	139	202
% S.B.			23										3
1951	167	256	253	236	149	101	101	100	101	109	128	187	288
% S.B.		11	14	18									3
1952	219	358	351	352	249	182	149	144	125	109	128	182	304
% S.B.		9	11	13									4
1953	253	376	389	379	240	165	142	134	134	143	185	283	452
% S.B.		11	14	17									4
1954	357	556	559	561	379	293	245	228	223	214	236	307	479
% S.B.		10	14	18									7
1955	319	587	620	605	354	241	186	168	153	145	163	220	388
% S.B.		14	21	26									12
1956	272	477	511	511	292	189	136	138	132	128	139	215	398
% S.B.		23	28	29									7
1957	380	546	572	559	374	250	205	206	209	227	268	403	744
% S.B.		13	18	19									12
1958	552	835	869	860	722	551	445	301	295	283	324	419	715
% S.B.		20	24	27	31	33	30						18
1959	454	785	796	767	611	279	221	226	210	202	251	418	686
% S.B.		26	31	34	37								17
1960	518	783	814	823	715	364	296	294	280	280	330	485	754
% S.B.		23	27	30	32								18
1961	487	847	873	838	713	341	267	255	229	229	269	386	601
% S.B.		24	29	32	35								18

Table viii - Amount of Benefit Paid(1), by Month, 1942 to 1961

(million dollars)

Year	12 Month Total	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1942	0.37	-	(2)	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
1943	0.94	0.07	0.13	0.20	0.14	0.13	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.05
1944	3.29	0.13	0.30	0.76	0.36	0.47	0.25	0.14	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.18	0.34
1945	14.57	0.55	0.82	1.52	0.59	0.67	0.58	0.60	0.69	0.88	1.71	2.51	3.45
1946	51.08	4.49	5.90	7.21	7.01	5.22	4.47	3.30	2.86	3.40	2.46	2.24	2.51
1947	32.04	4.01	3.92	4.48	3.78	3.07	2.15	1.96	1.52	1.51	1.54	1.56	2.54
1948	40.27	3.92	5.02	6.63	5.18	3.67	2.60	2.08	1.84	1.69	1.76	2.28	3.59
1949	69.35	6.73	8.16	10.40	7.61	5.51	4.11	3.37	3.72	3.67	3.85	5.05	7.18
1950	98.98	11.78	13.61	16.64	13.71	10.50	6.66	4.76	4.41	3.84	3.57	4.18	5.31
1951	76.66	9.83	10.68	12.14	8.35	5.66	3.51	3.43	3.67	3.46	3.90	5.11	6.92
1952	118.83	13.98	15.57	16.89	13.95	10.39	6.73	6.29	6.24	5.71	5.71	6.44	10.93
1953	157.97	18.43	20.60	24.00	19.19	12.39	8.41	7.15	6.41	6.74	7.60	10.17	16.88
1954	241.11	25.15	29.68	37.19	29.84	21.13	15.72	12.72	12.06	12.40	11.78	14.02	19.43
1955	229.12	28.37	34.90	45.44	33.78	20.02	12.64	8.94	8.73	8.18	7.54	8.66	11.94
1956	210.33	24.63	32.19	38.17	33.20	19.16	9.93	7.93	8.17	7.09	8.07	9.28	12.53
1957	305.08	33.44	38.60	44.13	40.39	26.27	14.36	13.80	13.03	13.81	16.33	18.99	31.93
1958	492.90	60.76	63.31	72.38	66.68	51.65	36.99	26.82	19.49	19.85	20.27	21.14	33.56
1959	406.10	58.65	58.08	65.87	59.97	40.45	18.16	14.53	13.12	13.37	13.77	17.48	32.66
1960	481.84	54.35	62.59	74.85	61.77	52.21	26.84	19.70	21.36	21.19	20.65	26.58	39.77
1961	493.97	67.66	70.99	85.19	64.54	58.70	25.89	18.55	18.86	16.08	17.12	20.94	29.45

(1) Benefit paid under the seasonal benefit provisions is included. The dates during which these provisions were operative, maximum weeks payable each period and amount of benefit paid are as follows:

February 28 to April 15, 1950 - 6 weeks - \$4.5 million

January 1 to March 31, 1951 - 13 weeks - \$3.9 million

January 1 to March 31, 1952 - 13 weeks - \$4.6 million

January 1 to April 15, 1953 - 15 weeks - \$9.2 million

January 1 to April 15, 1954 - 15 weeks - \$14.1 million

January 1 to April 15, 1955 - 15 weeks - \$28.9 million

January 1 to April 21, 1956 - 16 weeks - \$38.1 million

January 1 to April 20, 1957 - 16 weeks - \$29.6 million

December 1, 1957 to June 28, 1958 - 30 weeks - \$109.8 million

December 1, 1958 to May 16, 1959 - 24 weeks - \$98.4 million

November 30, 1959 to May 21, 1960 - 25 weeks - \$99.1 million

November 28, 1960 to May 20, 1961 - 25 weeks - \$114.7 million (preliminary)

(2) Less than \$10,000.

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no **disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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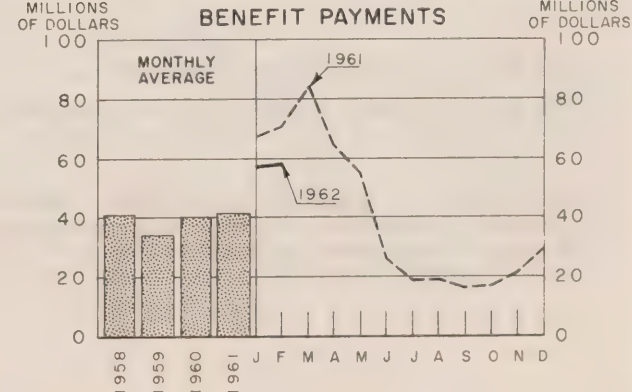
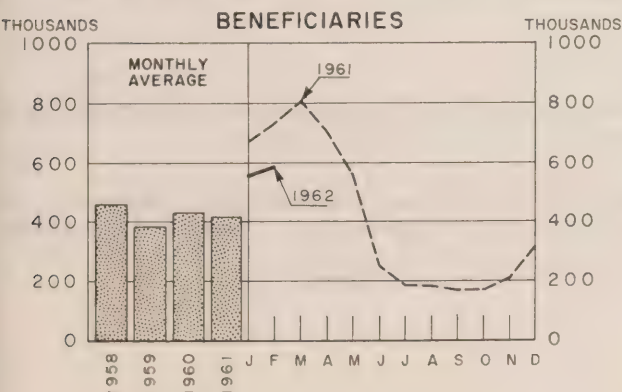
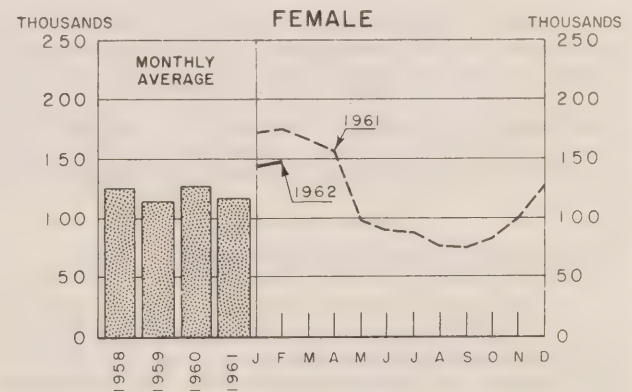
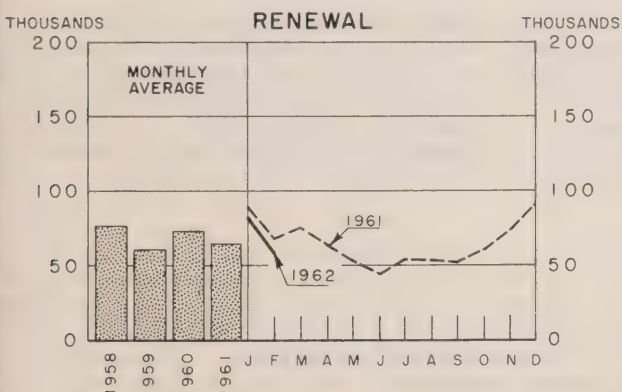
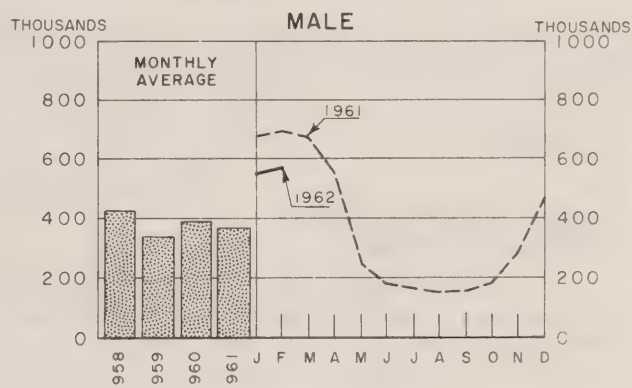
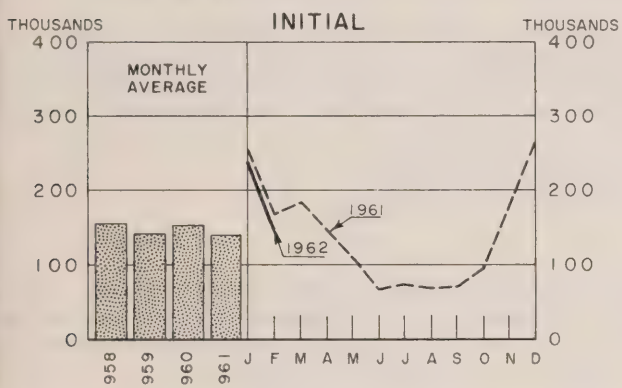
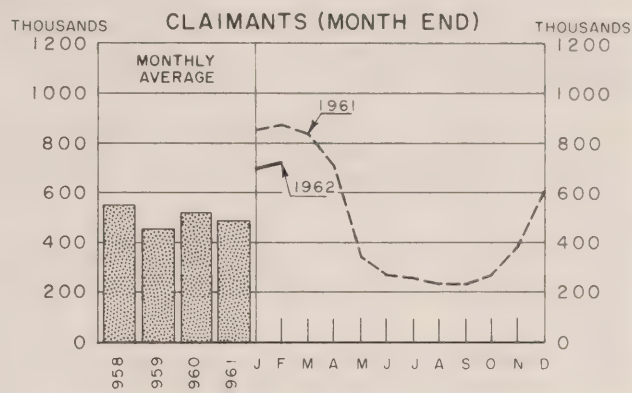
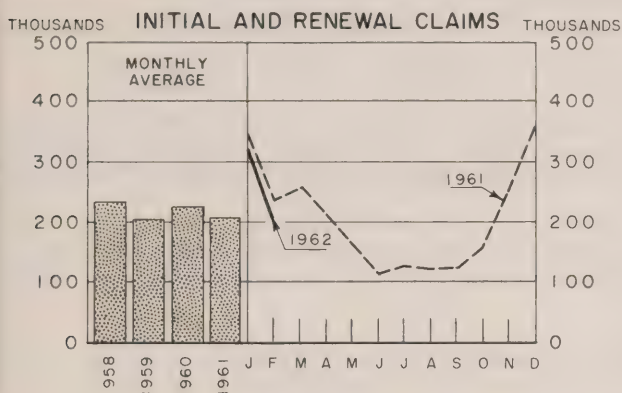
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Historical data since 1941 are contained in the July 1961 issue in this series, while annual data for the calendar years 1961 and 1960 are included in the January 1962 issue in this series.

For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

February 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit totalled 718,700 on February 28, some 20,000 higher than on January 31 but almost 155,000 below one year ago. These totals include seasonal benefit and fishing claimants numbering 207,300 on February 28, 174,200 on January 31, and 249,600 on February 28, 1961.

Males accounted for more than 80 per cent of the year-to-year decline in the claimant total. Claimants for regular benefit were down by 112,000 while seasonal benefit claimants were some 42,000 fewer.

At the first of February, claimants for unemployment insurance benefit accounted for an estimated 17 per cent of the covered population. Last year at this time the proportion was 20 per cent.

Persons on continuous claim 13 weeks or more comprised one quarter of the February 28 total. However, more than a third of the females were thus classified.

The proportion of claimants identified as seasonal benefit (29 per cent) was unchanged from last year.

Initial and renewal claims: receipt and disposal

A total of 205,600 initial and renewal claims was filed in local offices during February, some 114,600 fewer than for January and 29,000 less than in February 1961. The month-to-month percentage decline was somewhat larger for initials (38 per cent) than for renewals (28 per cent). However, in comparison with last year, both initial and renewal claims were down about 12 per cent.

About 97,600 or two-thirds of the February initial claims were identified as new cases, the remainder being from persons exhausting regular* benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits, under either the regular or the seasonal benefit provisions. This reflects the shift from regular to seasonal benefit which accelerates as the winter progresses. In December, for example, almost 90 per cent of the initial claims were classed as new cases. In January, this proportion was under 80 per cent. Since the minimum authorization on a regular claim is 12 weeks, exhaustions during January and February do not include persons establishing regular benefit during December or subsequently.

Beneficiaries and Benefit Payments

The average weekly number of beneficiaries was estimated at 590,400 for February, in comparison with 560,100 for January and 737,400 for February 1961. Payments, at \$58 million in February, were virtually unchanged from January and \$13 million below February 1961 (\$71 million). The average weekly benefit payment was \$24.56 for February, \$24.57 for January and \$24.07 for February 1961.

Claims and Benefit Payments, by province

Small percentage increases in the month-end claimant count were reported by all provinces except Alberta, where there was no change, and British Columbia, where a decline occurred.

* the minimum authorization on seasonal benefit claims is 12 weeks (except where the commencement date is later than March 3) hence no exhaustions would occur prior to February 18. However, the chance of persons exhausting seasonal and re-filing at once is very small, as they are not entitled to a second seasonal benefit but must fulfil the usual requirements for regular benefit.

Percentage change in month-end claimant count

	<u>January 31 to February 28, 1962</u>			<u>February 28, 1961 to February 28, 1962</u>			<u>January 31 to February 28, 1961</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Canada	+ 3	+ 3	+ 2	- 18	- 18	- 16	+ 3	+ 3	+ 1
Nfld.	+ 5	+ 5	+ 7	- 5	- 5	- 2	+ 5	+ 6	+ 4
P.E.I.	+ 4	+ 4	+ 3	- 2	- 3	+ 1	+ 2	+ 2	+ 3
N.S.	+ 4	+ 3	+ 6	- 11	- 12	- 7	+ 1	+ 1	+ 4
N.B.	+ 7	+ 8	+ 4	- 13	- 14	- 3	+ 5	+ 6	+ 2
Que.	+ 6	+ 9	- 4	- 22	- 22	- 24	+ 5	+ 7	- 3
Ont.	+ 3	+ 3	+ 3	- 19	- 20	- 19	+ 2	+ 2	+ 2
Man.	+ 3	+ 1	+ 9	- 8	- 9	- 3	+ 8	+ 7	+ 10
Sask.	+ 4	+ 4	+ 3	- 5	- 7	+ 3	+ 4	+ 4	+ 5
Alta.	-	- 5	+ 18	- 16	- 20	+ 1	+ 4	+ 3	+ 10
B.C.	- 9	- 12	+ 1	- 22	- 25	- 12	- 2	- 4	+ 3

On February 28, one in every two claimants in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island was identified as on "seasonal benefit". Elsewhere the proportion was substantially less.

Seasonal benefit claimants as a per cent
of all claimants at the end of February

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Canada	29	29
Nfld.	50	51
P.E.I.	53	55
N.S.	36	35
N.B.	43	42
Que.	28	28
Ont.	24	24
Man.	25	23
Sask.	26	24
Alta.	20	20
B.C.	29	29

The relatively higher incidence of seasonal benefit claimants in the Atlantic provinces, and in particular, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, is attributed to fishermen.

Per cent of seasonal benefit
claimants classed as fishermen

Per cent distribution of
seasonal benefit claimants

February 28, 1962

		<u>All Seasonal Benefit</u>	<u>Fishing</u>	<u>Non- Fishing</u>
Canada	13	100	100	100
Nfld.	53	9	36	5
P.E.I.	48	2	7	1
N.S.	36	7	20	5
N.B.	23	8	14	7
Que.	2	28	4	32
Ont.	1	24	2	27
Man.	2	4	-	5
Sask.	-	3	-	4
Alta.	-	4	-	4
B.C.	20	10	15	9

All provinces shared, to varying degrees, in the January-to-February decline in claims filed. In comparison with one year ago, only Prince Edward Island reported an increase.

Percentage change in claims filed

	<u>January to February 1962</u>			<u>February 1961 to February 1962</u>			<u>January to February 1961</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Initial</u>	<u>Renewal</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Initial</u>	<u>Renewal</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Initial</u>	<u>Renewal</u>
Canada	- 36	- 38	- 28	- 12	- 12	- 13	- 32	- 35	- 24
Nfld.	- 47	- 50	- 32	- 13	- 7	- 30	- 30	- 38	+ 14
P.E.I.	- 56	- 59	- 36	+ 6	+ 3	+ 19	- 51	- 53	- 39
N.S.	- 47	- 49	- 43	- 2	- 5	+ 5	- 44	- 46	- 40
N.B.	- 40	- 44	- 20	- 6	- 7	-	- 38	- 41	- 27
Que.	- 28	- 32	- 19	- 14	- 14	- 12	- 29	- 32	- 22
Ont.	- 37	- 39	- 31	- 13	- 11	- 16	- 32	- 35	- 24
Man.	- 34	- 34	- 35	- 12	- 12	- 12	- 27	- 27	- 25
Sask.	- 38	- 39	- 32	- 3	- 4	+ 1	- 38	- 38	- 38
Alta.	- 29	- 32	- 22	- 14	- 15	- 10	- 24	- 25	- 20
B.C.	- 42	- 46	- 32	- 18	- 19	- 18	- 34	- 38	- 22

Exclusion of the initial claims in respect of persons exhausting regular benefit and seeking re-establishment provides a study of the month-to-month changes in claims representing new separations from employment.*

Initial and renewal claims, excluding initial claims
following upon exhaustions on regular benefit

	<u>February</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>Per cent change</u>
	<u>1962</u>		
Canada	157,037	266,489	- 41
Nfld.	3,734	9,712	- 62
P.E.I.	591	2,017	- 71
N.S.	8,946	18,867	- 53
N.B.	6,898	12,880	- 46
Que.	51,410	75,878	- 32
Ont.	51,702	87,302	- 41
Man.	5,908	10,870	- 46
Sask.	4,109	7,890	- 48
Alta.	9,102	13,963	- 35
B.C.	14,637	27,110	- 46

The percentage declines in the totals excluding initial claims following upon exhaustion of regular benefit are somewhat larger than those shown using all claims, the gap being greatest in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island.

* See footnote 1, Table 1, page 9

Industrial Classification of Persons Filing Initial(1)
Claims for Unemployment Insurance during January

The number of initial claims representing new separations from insured employment during January was 183,600, some 20 per cent below that for December. As in December, separations from manufacturing and construction each accounted for between 20 and 25 per cent of the total. Separations from trade, however, rose sharply, comprising 17 per cent of the January claims as against 10 per cent in December. This reflects post-Christmas reductions in employment in this industry.

Percentage distribution of claims by industry and province

Industry Group	January 1962										
	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	183.6	8.0	1.7	11.0	10.4	53.2	57.9	7.8	6.0	9.6	18.1
	Per cent										
Forestry (mainly logging)	9	10	2	4	31	16	2	1	-	2	11
Fishing & trapping	3	7	7	20	5	-	1	1	-	-	2
Mining	2	6	-	4	(2)	1	(2)	2	2	5	2
Manufacturing	23	9	10	14	14	26	29	21	9	9	23
Construction	22	17	24	16	17	21	26	22	27	31	15
Transportation, comm. and other utilities	9	21	14	14	11	8	6	11	14	9	9
Trade	17	17	27	15	11	12	20	24	26	20	18
Service	10	8	5	5	5	10	10	9	12	14	13
Public admin. and defence(3)	4	5	7	4	5	5	3	6	7	8	4
Other	2	2	4	4	2	2	3	3	3	3	3

Interprovincial variations in the December-to-January decline in the number of new cases were marked. New cases in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island during January were less than half the December figures, while for Ontario the decline was less than 10 per cent. Elsewhere the percentage declines were within these ranges. To some extent these differences are associated with the varying industrial structure of the provincial economies and the timing of seasonal influences. Allied with this, is the varying impact of seasonal benefit, in particular fishing benefit. For example, during January, less than 10 per cent of new cases in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island were from fishermen, whereas in December this proportion was over 20 per cent. From an industry standpoint, fishing declined by 60 per cent in January, over December. The prominence of claims from this industry in December is, in part, a reflection of the fact that, with few exceptions, fishermen are eligible only for seasonal benefit.

Inter-industry variations, by province, from December to January were not substantial. Claims from the logging industry rose sharply in New Brunswick, Quebec and Manitoba, while those from trade were generally higher in all provinces. The proportion of new claims from fishermen declined sharply in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and British Columbia in January, but was slightly higher in Nova Scotia.

The proportion of males among new cases⁽⁴⁾ in January was slightly below that for December, as indicated by the sex composition of those on continuous claim less than 5 weeks at the month end.

1) Data cover new cases only, i.e. they exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits. Such exclusions comprised from 20-25 per cent of all initial claims in January.

2) Less than 1.0 per cent.

3) Includes all basic government service except Post Office which is now included with communication.

4) See the January bulletin in this series, page 8, for a discussion regarding this inference.

Males as a per cent of all persons on
continuous claim

	<u>less than 5 weeks</u>		<u>5 weeks or more</u>	
	<u>Jan. 31, 1962</u>	<u>Dec. 29, 1961</u>	<u>Jan. 31, 1962</u>	<u>Dec. 29, 1961</u>
Canada	80.7	83.0	78.3	71.4
Nfld.	95.6	96.8	94.3	86.2
P.E.I.	86.3	86.0	82.6	71.6
N.S.	89.5	89.9	85.9	80.1
N.B.	87.1	86.5	81.1	73.8
Que.	82.8	81.8	78.6	70.3
Ont.	75.2	78.1	73.5	68.3
Man.	77.8	83.1	80.6	76.6
Sask.	77.0	86.3	81.6	76.8
Alta.	80.0	86.6	79.2	71.3
B.C.	76.7	83.3	74.3	70.1

Examination of the above data, by province, shows that the decline in the proportion of male claims occurred mainly in Ontario and the western provinces. This is associated with the contraction in trade and the importance of females in seasonal employment in that industry. In the Atlantic provinces the January claims from trade were lower than December, except in Nova Scotia, where claims from fishermen were more numerous.

Summary table

Activity	Feb. 1962	Jan. 1962	Feb. 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Jan. 1962	Feb. 1961	January to February		12 months ending February	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,161	4,247	..	..	..	4,244*	..	4,124*
Initial and renewal claims filed	206	320	235	- 36	- 12	526	579	2,408	2,732
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	719	699	873	+ 3	- 18	709*	860*	462*	528*
Regular	511	524	623	- 2	- 18				
SB	207	174	250	+ 19	- 17				
SB Fishing	28	26	29	+ 5	- 6				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	590	560	737	+ 5	- 20	575*	705*	394*	439*
Weeks compensated	2,361	2,353	2,950	-	- 20	4,714	5,774	19,675	22,050
Benefit paid	\$ 57,988	57,799	70,989	-	- 18	115,788	138,649	471,110	503,555
Average weekly benefit	\$ 24.56	24.57	24.07	-	+ 2	24.56	24.01	23.94	22.84

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - January	4,161,000	3,462,500	698,500(1)
1961 - December	4,196,000	3,594,800	601,200(1)
November	4,081,000	3,695,000	386,000(1)
October	3,991,000	3,722,300	268,700
September	3,966,000	3,736,800	229,200
August	3,987,000	3,757,700	229,300
July	3,971,000	3,715,700	255,300
June	3,943,000	3,676,100	266,900
May	3,891,000	3,550,000	341,000
April	4,126,000	3,412,900	713,100
March	4,210,000	3,372,000	838,000
February	4,247,000	3,374,200	872,800
January	4,240,000	3,393,100	846,900

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (2)

Prov.	1962 - February - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	205,643	146,232	59,411	234,604	166,702	67,902
Nfld.	5,894	4,734	1,160	6,761	5,095	1,666
P.E.I.	1,039	835	204	981	809	172
N.S.	11,431	6,951	4,480	11,627	7,354	4,273
N.B.	8,843	6,825	2,018	9,373	7,363	2,010
Que.	65,714	47,295	18,419	76,000	55,149	20,851
Ont.	66,355	46,101	20,254	75,872	51,840	24,032
Man.	9,222	7,208	2,014	10,484	8,195	2,289
Sask.	6,209	4,933	1,276	6,396	5,133	1,263
Alta.	11,862	8,416	3,446	13,742	9,893	3,849
B.C.	19,074	12,934	6,140	23,368	15,871	7,497

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants.

(2) In addition, revised claims received numbered 52,551.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	February 28, 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	February 28, 1962									
CANADA -	718,668	127,532	66,255	153,988	185,869	84,297	32,701	68,026	41.1	872,842
MALE	570,314	103,389	52,768	124,055	157,743	67,318	23,305	41,736	44.8	697,239
FEMALE	148,354	24,143	13,487	29,933	28,126	16,979	9,396	26,290	26.9	175,603
Nfld.	38,172	5,178	3,297	9,850	14,495	2,896	902	1,554	83.6	40,164
Male	36,148	4,917	3,123	9,377	14,029	2,680	793	1,229	85.0	38,101
Female	2,024	261	174	473	466	216	109	325	58.3	2,063
P.E.I.	7,749	545	424	1,773	3,615	969	160	263	78.7	7,915
Male	6,497	449	368	1,540	3,102	767	119	152	81.0	6,673
Female	1,252	96	56	233	513	202	41	111	67.1	1,242
N.S.	42,509	7,945	2,962	10,439	11,253	4,306	1,433	4,171	55.4	47,972
Male	37,011	7,085	2,521	9,254	10,254	3,696	1,081	3,120	57.3	42,068
Female	5,498	860	441	1,185	999	610	352	1,051	42.3	5,904
N.B.	38,970	5,433	3,370	8,641	12,775	4,649	1,476	2,626	72.9	44,584
Male	32,598	4,811	2,964	7,508	11,029	3,730	1,042	1,514	75.5	38,034
Female	6,372	622	406	1,133	1,746	919	434	1,112	59.3	6,550
Que.	213,828	41,775	21,353	43,885	54,089	23,191	8,973	20,562	42.5	274,572
Male	175,668	35,321	18,260	37,120	47,069	18,850	6,607	12,441	45.9	224,537
Female	38,160	6,454	3,093	6,765	7,020	4,341	2,366	8,121	27.1	50,035
Ont.	208,089	38,440	20,113	44,056	47,729	24,709	10,217	22,825	24.3	257,967
Male	154,120	28,930	14,799	32,873	38,040	18,895	6,909	13,674	25.6	191,748
Female	53,969	9,510	5,314	11,183	9,689	5,814	3,308	9,151	20.4	66,219
Man.	36,336	5,875	3,492	8,009	9,896	4,637	1,663	2,764	35.3	39,390
Male	28,472	4,478	2,543	6,201	8,280	3,779	1,281	1,910	39.9	31,264
Female	7,864	1,397	949	1,808	1,616	858	382	854	18.5	8,126
Sask.	26,980	3,646	2,135	5,793	7,731	4,339	1,388	1,948	52.5	28,398
Male	21,692	2,907	1,661	4,514	6,630	3,734	1,068	1,178	57.0	23,261
Female	5,288	739	474	1,279	1,101	605	320	770	34.1	5,137
Alta.	37,256	7,479	3,585	8,709	8,041	4,763	1,998	2,681	42.2	44,116
Male	28,226	5,880	2,640	6,572	6,619	3,722	1,329	1,464	46.5	35,161
Female	9,030	1,599	945	2,137	1,422	1,041	669	1,217	28.8	8,955
B.C.	68,779	11,216	5,524	12,833	16,245	9,838	4,491	8,632	31.4	87,764
Male	49,882	8,611	3,889	9,096	12,691	7,465	3,076	5,054	34.1	66,392
Female	18,897	2,605	1,635	3,737	3,554	2,373	1,415	3,578	24.2	21,372

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.*

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>February - 1962</u>							
Canada -	217,144	128,005	55,540	29,066	4,533	41,337	15,158
Nfld.	6,499	4,275	1,097	1,040	87	1,693	426
P.E.I.	1,137	824	192	102	19	230	44
N.S.	12,212	6,187	4,753	1,085	187	2,071	602
N.B.	9,558	6,168	1,908	1,282	200	1,816	533
Que.	67,991	40,317	16,990	9,425	1,259	14,824	4,876
Ont.	70,927	41,205	18,781	9,232	1,709	12,299	4,832
Man.	9,322	6,157	1,848	1,162	155	1,294	678
Sask.	6,630	4,383	1,220	931	96	1,170	359
Alta.	12,448	7,320	3,238	1,621	269	2,331	1,053
B.C.	20,420	11,169	5,513	3,186	552	3,609	1,755
<u>February - 1961</u>							
Canada -	250,038	152,417	65,479	28,233	3,909	46,191	16,787
Nfld.	7,032	4,559	1,284	1,094	95	1,594	551
P.E.I.	1,072	761	179	117	15	187	48
N.S.	12,695	7,270	4,222	1,048	155	1,746	408
N.B.	9,998	6,625	1,942	1,305	126	1,701	504
Que.	80,562	50,118	19,851	9,469	1,124	17,059	5,916
Ont.	81,788	48,215	23,540	8,587	1,446	14,174	5,497
Man.	11,423	7,521	2,456	1,282	164	1,669	700
Sask.	6,842	4,652	1,257	834	99	1,375	319
Alta.	14,342	8,643	3,871	1,627	201	2,373	1,042
B.C.	24,284	14,053	6,877	2,870	484	4,313	1,802

* In addition 56,431 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 6,892 were special requests not granted and 2,041 were appeals by claimants. There were 13,489 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during February, 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962*	15,270	606	57	579	893	5,236	4,293	575	428	793	1,810
	1961	16,194	594	57	636	900	5,721	4,505	667	405	930	1,779
Claimants disqualified	1962	33,012	961	111	1,362	1,267	10,769	11,309	1,227	947	1,794	3,265
	1961	30,930	1,077	137	1,082	1,074	10,754	10,268	1,417	844	1,499	2,778
Not unemployed	1962	1,644	44	5	48	56	642	361	90	147	97	154
	1961	1,590	29	5	35	49	801	367	76	88	79	61
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	10,061	191	30	312	311	3,046	3,867	388	307	553	1,056
	1961	8,918	220	36	307	316	2,551	3,483	471	289	412	833
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	121	-	-	-	1	14	93	4	-	7	2
	1961	187	-	-	-	-	5	117	-	-	-	65
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,959	39	6	231	73	615	696	42	45	88	124
	1961	1,986	16	20	121	41	767	649	92	60	87	133
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,699	27	5	73	34	634	631	55	35	71	134
	1961	1,424	26	2	44	33	491	580	45	19	55	129
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	8,041	256	25	260	262	2,918	2,421	355	208	569	767
	1961	7,136	265	29	265	251	2,523	2,047	439	192	491	634
Other reasons	1962	9,487	404	40	438	530	2,900	3,240	293	205	409	1,028
	1961	9,689	521	45	310	384	3,616	3,025	294	196	375	923
* Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim												
during February		1962	8,683	513	56	330	480	3,120	2,898	180	156	731

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - February - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	590.4	737.4
Newfoundland	30.1	37.0
Prince Edward Island	6.4	6.5
Nova Scotia	33.1	38.0
New Brunswick	28.7	36.9
Quebec	169.9	224.0
Ontario	176.7	225.1
Manitoba	30.9	32.4
Saskatchewan	23.5	25.7
Alberta	30.4	37.0
British Columbia	60.7	75.1

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - February - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,361,458	57,988,335	2,949,539	70,988,922
Nfld.	120,308	2,867,824	147,858	3,420,997
P.E.I.	25,438	553,172	25,824	545,170
N.S.	132,538	3,105,439	152,022	3,404,317
N.B.	114,670	2,545,225	147,403	3,253,126
Que.	679,638	16,864,792	895,828	21,563,499
Ont.	706,879	17,373,885	900,225	21,885,857
Man.	123,655	3,064,322	129,409	3,146,673
Sask.	93,859	2,322,687	102,762	2,493,876
Alta.	121,569	3,070,080	147,842	3,663,309
B.C.	242,904	6,220,909	300,366	7,612,098

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

February - 1962

Canada -	2,217,070	144,388	104,954
Newfoundland	114,559	5,749	4,553
Prince Edward Island	24,663	775	588
Nova Scotia	123,689	8,849	7,129
New Brunswick	108,018	6,652	4,548
Quebec	642,793	36,845	23,928
Ontario	659,617	47,262	34,282
Manitoba	116,366	7,289	5,246
Saskatchewan	88,946	4,913	3,619
Alberta	112,063	9,506	7,195
British Columbia	226,356	16,548	13,866

February - 1961

Canada -	2,794,202	155,337	107,594
Newfoundland	142,591	5,267	3,949
Prince Edward Island	25,082	742	567
Nova Scotia	142,057	9,965	7,834
New Brunswick	140,181	7,222	4,694
Quebec	853,595	42,233	26,230
Ontario	848,745	51,480	35,743
Manitoba	122,954	6,455	4,620
Saskatchewan	98,231	4,531	3,404
Alberta	138,612	9,230	6,547
British Columbia	282,154	18,212	14,006

Seasonal benefit, 1961-62 period

The provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 20, 1961, to mid-May 1962, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 4 (1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their right to seasonal benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions if they wished to be re-considered for benefit. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks, (2) exhaustions would not occur before February 17.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since the preceding March 31. It follows, then, that no claims can be established in this class after March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class will be based entirely on contributions during this qualifying period. The duration will be 5 weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution, or a minimum of 13 weeks (subject to the exception in footnote 2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 20, 1961. The duration will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate (3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen) (4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing seasonal benefit claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 27.
- (2) Twelve weeks is the minimum on SBB claims. Where fewer than 12 weeks remain between the date of establishing the claim and May 19, the duration authorized will be equal to that number of weeks. For SB claims established subsequent to March 3 the duration will be under 12 weeks.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1962 - February - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	207,282	165,615	41,667	249,573	199,841	49,732
Nfld.	19,078	18,468	610	20,294	19,618	676
P.E.I.	4,101	3,485	616	4,366	3,771	595
N.S.	15,265	13,431	1,834	16,622	14,624	1,998
N.B.	16,854	14,169	2,685	18,824	16,129	2,695
Que.	58,827	48,209	10,618	77,249	62,973	14,276
Ont.	49,242	34,388	14,854	61,672	43,262	18,410
Man.	9,125	7,340	1,785	9,018	7,279	1,739
Sask.	6,981	5,564	1,417	6,825	5,474	1,351
Alta.	7,589	5,770	1,819	8,959	7,163	1,796
B.C.	20,220	14,791	5,429	25,744	19,548	6,196

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1962 - February - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	27,588	27,468	120	29,362	29,227	135
Nfld.	10,040	10,039	1	10,707	10,706	1
P.E.I.	1,980	1,923	57	2,020	1,974	46
N.S.	5,562	5,552	10	5,848	5,833	15
N.B.	3,914	3,897	17	4,235	4,218	17
Que.	1,150	1,144	6	1,299	1,296	3
Ont.	658	654	4	627	607	20
Man.	167	167	-	268	268	-
Sask.	-	-	-	1	1	-
Alta.	20	20	-	25	25	-
B.C.	4,097	4,072	25	4,332	4,299	33

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class 3 is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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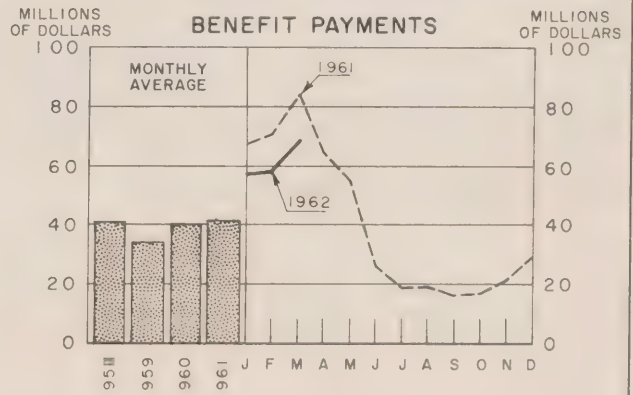
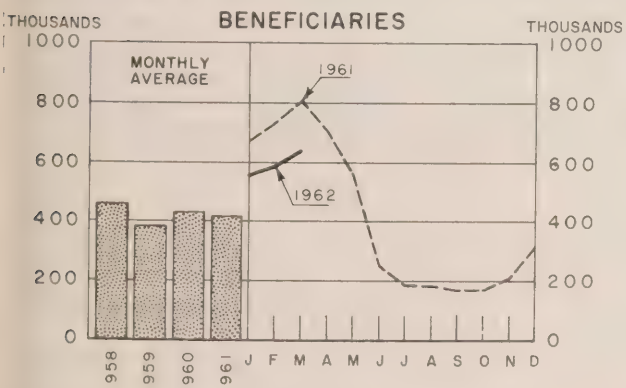
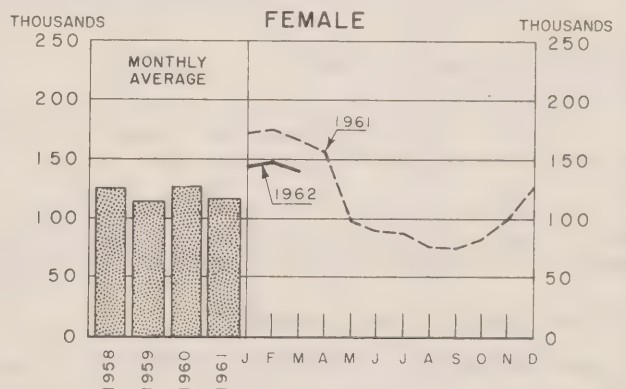
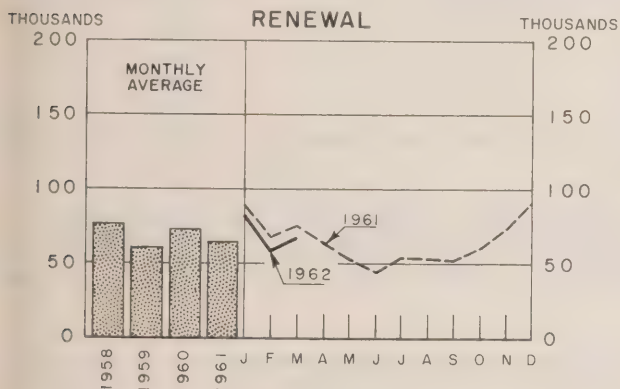
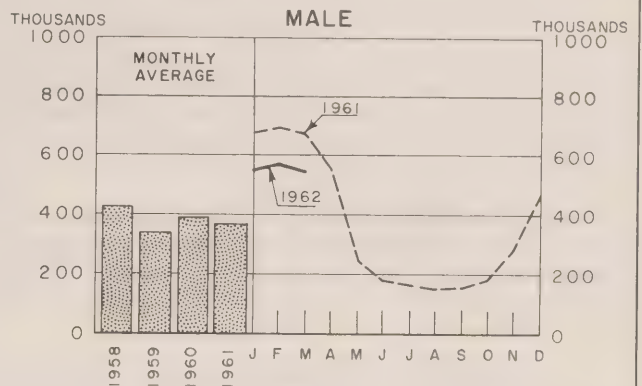
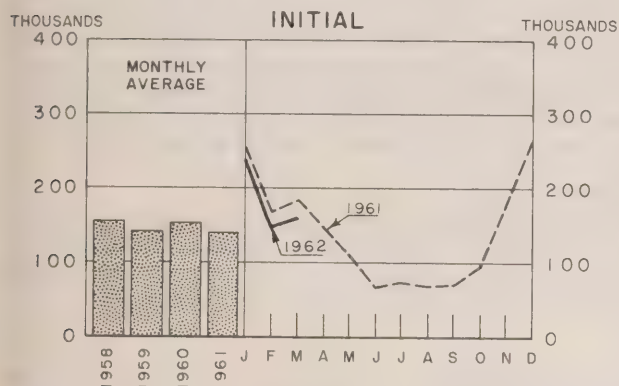
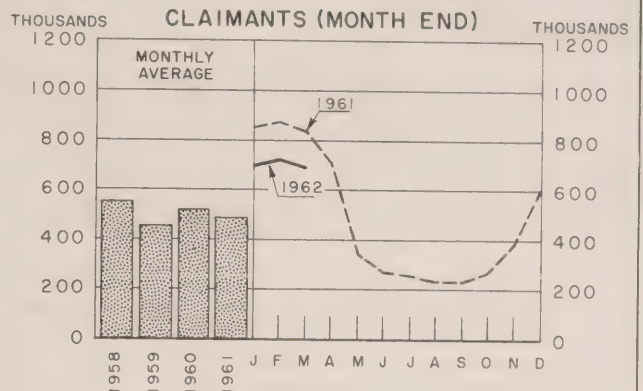
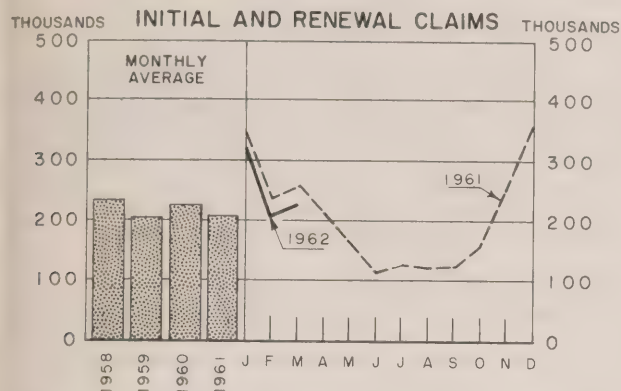
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Historical data since 1941 are contained in the July 1961 issue in this series, while annual data for the calendar years 1961 and 1960 are included in the January 1962 issue in this series.

For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

March 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit totalled 687,500 on March 30, down some 31,000 from February 28 and 150,500 below the total on March 31, 1961. Included in totals for these dates are 220,100 claimants identified as "seasonal benefit" on March 30, 207,300 on February 28 and 265,800 on March 31, 1961. Three-quarters of the month-to-month decline was accounted for by males. Claimants classed as regular benefit were down by 44,000, but this was partially offset by an increase of about 13,000 in the number identified as seasonal benefit. During March last year, the net decline was 35,000 resulting from a decrease of 51,000 regular and an increase of 16,000 on seasonal benefit.

It is difficult at this season of the year to distinguish between economic and administrative factors in interpreting the claimant data. Exhaustions on seasonal benefit do not affect the data until approximately the end of February. During March, however, the composition of the seasonal benefit group is affected by an outflow of exhaustions, on the one hand, and by an influx of claimants terminating regular benefit and now eligible for seasonal benefit.

The number of claimants classed as seasonal benefit increases at this time of the year, despite a decline in the number on fishing seasonal benefit. Doubtless some fishing seasonal benefit claimants exhausted their benefit and since there is practically no movement from regular into fishing seasonal benefit, their number declined. However, exhaustions on non-fishing seasonal benefit were offset by the transition(1) from regular. The net result of these changes is an overall decline, due partly to exhaustion of benefit.

Postal claimants accounted for 44 per cent of the March month-end total. This represents a rather sharp increase over February when 41 per cent were thus classified. Part of the February-to-March increase is due to the introduction, in one office(2), of a new procedure, on a trial basis, whereby all payments are handled on a weekly postal basis, irrespective of the cost of transportation to the local office.

The proportion of claimants classed as seasonal benefit increased from 29 per cent on February 28 to 32 per cent on March 30. This is virtually unchanged from last year.

Initial and renewal claims: receipt and disposal

A total of 225,800 initial and renewal claims were filed during March, some 20,000 (or 10 per cent) more than February but 33,600 fewer than for March 1961.

The ratio of initial to renewal claims tends to decline, after January, with the seasonal turn down in claims filed, e.g. the ratio for March, at 2.3 was considerably below that for December and January (2.9). Last year, the ratio was 2.6 in December, 2.9 in January and 2.4 for March.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly number of beneficiaries was estimated at 638,800 during March, in comparison with 590,400 for February and 807,100 for March 1961. Payments at \$68.8 million, were some \$10 million higher than during February, but were \$16 million below the peak monthly payment of \$85 million in March 1961. The increase in beneficiaries and payments as contrasted with the decline in the month-end claimant count is not contradictory, since payment data usually lag behind the other series. Payment data also take into account the entire month's operation, whereas the claimant count reflects an inventory at the month-end and hence is the more sensitive indicator of changing conditions.

Claims and benefit payments, by province

All provinces shared in the February-to-March decline in the claimant count except Nova Scotia and Alberta where there was a very small increase. Nova Scotia was the only province which recorded an increase in the number of claimants classed as regular. All provinces showed an increase in the group identified as on non-fishing seasonal benefit. The decline in fishing seasonal benefit claimants was general, except for the Prairie provinces where the numbers involved are insignificant.

(1) The term is used, in this text, to describe a change in insurance status from regular to seasonal benefit.

(2) Edmonton, Alberta.

Percentage change in month-end claimant count

	<u>February 28 to March 30, 1962</u>			<u>March 31, 1961 to March 30, 1962</u>			<u>February 28 to March 31, 1961</u>		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 4	- 4	- 5	-18	-18	-16	- 4	- 4	- 5
Nfld.	- 6	- 6	- 3	- 2	- 2	- 2	- 9	- 9	- 3
P.E.I.	-11	-10	-13	- 1	- 3	+ 7	-12	-10	-18
N.S.	+ 2	+ 3	- 4	- 9	- 9	- 7	- 1	-	- 5
N.B.	- 1	+ 1	-12	-11	-12	- 5	- 3	- 2	-10
Que.	- 3	- 3	- 4	-22	-22	-24	- 3	- 2	- 4
Ont.	- 6	- 7	- 4	-21	-22	-19	- 4	- 4	- 4
Man.	- 7	- 8	- 4	- 9	-11	+ 1	- 6	- 6	- 9
Sask.	- 8	- 9	- 3	- 7	-10	+ 6	- 6	- 6	- 6
Alta.	+ 2	+ 6	-13	-13	-14	-10	- 1	- 1	- 2
B.C.	- 8	- 9	- 6	-21	-24	-12	- 9	- 9	- 6

Reverse movements in the claimant series can be detected from month-to-month variations in the number of non-fishing seasonal benefit claimants and fishing seasonal claimants.

Percentage change in non-fishing seasonal
benefit and fishing seasonal benefit claimants

	<u>Non-fishing seasonal benefit claimants</u>		<u>Fishing seasonal benefit claimants</u>	
	<u>February to March</u>		<u>February to March</u>	
	this year : last year		this year : last year	
Canada	+ 9	+10	-15	-18
Nfld.	+ 7	+ 6	-14	-18
P.E.I.	+ 6	+ 9	-21	-25
N.S.	+10	+ 6	- 7	-11
N.B.	+10	+ 8	-20	-18
Que.	+11	+13	-17	-18
Ont.	+ 7	+ 7	*	*
Man.	+ 9	+14	*	*
Sask.	+14	+23	-	-
Alta.	+20	+16	*	*
B.C.	+ 6	+ 5	-21	-26

*Numbers involved are insignificant.

Postal claimants accounted for a higher proportion of claimants on March 30 over February 28 in all provinces except the Atlantic provinces (where there was a slight decline) and Manitoba, where there was no change. The sharp increase in Alberta has already been noted.

The February-to-March increase in claims filed was general, though the percentage increases varied, from a low of 3 per cent in Quebec to 30 per cent in British Columbia. In comparison with last year, only Newfoundland and Nova Scotia recorded increases.

Percentage change in claims filed

	<u>February to March 1962</u>			<u>March 1961 to March 1962</u>			<u>February to March 1961</u>		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+10	+ 8	+15	-13	-14	-11	+11	+10	+13
Nfld.	+21	+15	+45	+ 5	- 2	+37	+ 1	+10	-26
P.E.I.	+ 7	+11	-12	- 9	- 8	-10	+24	+25	+16
N.S.	+25	+ 6	+54	+11	-12	+56	+10	+14	+ 3
N.B.	+24	+24	+25	- 9	- 9	- 7	+28	+26	+34
Que.	+ 3	+ 7	- 6	-17	-16	-19	+ 7	+ 9	+ 2
Ont.	+ 4	+ 1	+ 9	-18	-17	-21	+11	+ 8	+17
Man.	+12	+13	+10	- 9	- 8	-13	+ 9	+ 8	+12
Sask.	+ 6	+ 8	+ 1	- 7	- 7	- 7	+11	+11	+ 9
Alta.	+19	+19	+20	- 9	- 9	-11	+14	+11	+20
B.C.	+30	+15	+60	- 8	-13	-	+15	+ 8	+32

New cases of insured unemployment

Since December it has been possible to subdivide initial claims into those constituting new cases and others.* The new initials are filed by persons coming directly on claim from employment. Used in combination with renewal claims, the total constitutes new cases of insured unemployment during the month and are a more sensitive indicator of economic factors than the total claims filed, which also reflect administrative factors.

During March, 93,100 initial claims were identified as new claims, while an additional 68,200 renewals were filed. The following table presents the new claims, initial and renewal, separately, for February and March.

Initial and renewal claims, excluding continuing initials

	March			February		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	161,214	93,064	68,150	157,037	97,626	59,411
Nfld.	4,515	2,832	1,683	3,734	2,574	1,160
P.E.I.	262	83	179	591	387	204
N.S.	10,491	3,596	6,895	8,946	4,466	4,480
N.B.	7,001	4,477	2,524	6,898	4,880	2,018
Que.	48,120	30,868	17,252	51,410	32,991	18,419
Ont.	51,096	28,953	22,143	51,702	31,448	20,254
Man.	5,909	3,686	2,223	5,908	3,894	2,014
Sask.	3,616	2,333	1,283	4,109	2,833	1,276
Alta.	10,697	6,576	4,121	9,102	5,656	3,446
B.C.	19,507	9,660	9,847	14,637	8,497	6,140

The February-to-March percentage changes are as follows:

Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
+3	+21	-56	+17	+1	-6	-1	-	-12	+18	+33

At the national level, the new cases for March, constituting some 4 per cent of the total insured population, were only slightly above February. As the above percentages illustrate, the February-to-March changes varied substantially, from province to province. Significant increases were recorded in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Alberta and British Columbia. Prince Edward Island, where the volume of new cases was relatively small, showed a sizeable decline. Smaller decreases occurred in Quebec and Saskatchewan. In New Brunswick, Ontario and Manitoba there was virtually no change.

Information on the industrial attachment of the new initial claims for March will be presented in the April issue in this series.

* Referred to as continuing initials, these claims are in respect of persons exhausting benefit and seeking additional credits under either the regular or seasonal benefit terms. In the main, they are exhaustions of regular benefit for which entitlement is being sought under the seasonal benefit terms. It is theoretically possible to exhaust one regular and re-qualify immediately for regular, but the number of such cases would be small. Claimants exhausting seasonal benefit must fulfil the provisions for regular benefit and where it is obvious that these conditions cannot be fulfilled, the claimant rarely files a new claim immediately.

Industrial classification of persons filing initial(1)
claims for unemployment insurance during February

Separations from insured employment numbered slightly under 100,000 during February and constituted two-thirds of initial claims filed at local offices. This is almost 50 per cent below January when an estimated 183,600 cases were recorded. For the third consecutive month(2), each of the industries of manufacturing and construction accounted for more than 20 per cent of the cases. The proportion from trade and service, at 17 and 10 per cent, respectively, was unchanged from January. Forestry, however, accounted for almost 15 per cent of the current cases, up sharply from 9 per cent in January.

Percentage distribution of claims by industry and province

February 1962

Industry Group	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	97.7	2.6	0.4	4.5	4.9	33.1	31.4	3.9	2.8	5.6	8.5
	Per cent										
Forestry (mainly logging)	14	28	5	9	32	26	3	1	-	2	7
Fishing & Trapping	(3)	2	3	3	3	-	-	1	-	-	2
Mining	1	3	-	6	(3)	(3)	(3)	1	2	7	(3)
Manufacturing	21	11	16	19	12	22	27	18	9	11	17
Construction	21	18	20	24	17	20	21	24	26	27	15
Transp., Comm., & Other Utilities	7	14	7	10	7	6	7	9	12	8	9
Trade	17	13	27	17	13	11	20	22	26	21	22
Service	10	4	9	5	6	8	10	13	13	13	15
Public Admin. & Defence(4)	6	5	11	5	8	4	7	9	8	6	8
Other	3	1	2	2	2	3	5	2	4	4	5

Interprovincial variations in the January-to-February decline were more marked as between the Atlantic provinces and Quebec, than elsewhere. This is associated with seasonal reductions in logging operations. It should be pointed out that the number of new cases coded to this industry in the Atlantic provinces in February was actually slightly below that for January. However, percentage-wise the February intake is higher.

The January-to-February per cent change is shown below, together with the per cent distribution of new cases by province:

	Per cent change January to February	Per cent distribution February	January
Canada	-47	100	100
Nfld.	-68	2.6	4.4
P.E.I.	-77	0.4	0.9
N.S.	-59	4.6	6.0
N.B.	-53	5.0	5.6
Que.	-38	33.8	29.0
Ont.	-46	32.2	31.5
Man.	-50	4.0	4.2
Sask.	-53	2.9	3.3
Alta.	-41	5.8	5.2
B.C.	-53	8.7	9.8

- (1) Data cover new cases only, i.e. they exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits.
 (2) National data are not available prior to December.
 (3) Less than 1.0.
 (4) Includes all basic government service except Post Office which is now included with communication.

Half of the February reduction in new cases was the result of lower volumes of claims from manufacturing and construction, while the total of cases separated from trade declined by between 15 and 20 per cent.

The composition of the month-end(1) claimant count for persons on continuous claim less than 5 weeks would seem to indicate no change in the sex composition of the February new cases, at the national level(2). However, New Brunswick, Quebec and Saskatchewan showed a slight increase in the proportion of males.

Males as a per cent of all persons on continuous claim

	less than 5 weeks		5 weeks or more	
	Feb. 28, 1962	Jan. 31, 1962	Feb. 28, 1962	Jan. 31, 1962
Canada	80.6	80.7	78.9	78.3
Nfld.	94.9	95.6	94.6	94.3
P.E.I.	84.3	86.3	83.8	82.6
N.S.	88.1	89.5	86.7	85.9
N.B.	88.3	87.1	82.3	81.1
Que.	84.9	82.8	81.0	78.6
Ont.	74.7	75.2	73.8	73.5
Man.	75.0	77.8	79.5	80.6
Sask.	79.0	77.0	80.8	81.6
Alta.	77.0	80.0	75.2	79.2
B.C.	74.7	76.7	71.8	74.3

(1) Table 3.

(2) See the January bulletin, page 8, for a discussion of this inference.

Summary table

Activity	Mar. 1962	Feb. 1962	Mar. 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Feb. 1962	Mar. 1961	January to March		12 months ending March	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,092	4,210	..	..	..	4,232*	..	4,116*
Initial and renewal claims filed	226	206	259	+10	-13	752	838	2,374	2,708
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	687	719	838	- 4	-18	702*	853*	450*	530*
Regular	467	511	572	- 9	-18				
SB	220	207	266	+ 6	-17				
SB Fishing	23	28	24	-15	- 2				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	639	590	807	+ 8	-21	596*	739*	380*	446*
Weeks compensated	2,811	2,361	3,551	+19	-21	7,525	9,325	18,935	22,230
Benefit paid	\$ 68,827	57,988	85,188	+19	-19	184,614	223,837	454,748	513,898
Average weekly benefit	\$ 24.49	24.56	23.99	-	+ 2	24.53	24.00	24.02	23.12

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - February	4,092,000	3,373,300	718,700(1)
January	4,208,000	3,509,500	698,500(1)
1961 - December	4,196,000	3,594,800	601,200(1)
November	4,081,000	3,695,000	386,000(1)
October	3,991,000	3,722,300	268,700
September	3,966,000	3,736,800	229,200
August	3,987,000	3,757,700	229,300
July	3,971,000	3,715,700	255,300
June	3,943,000	3,676,100	266,900
May	3,891,000	3,550,000	341,000
April	4,126,000	3,412,900	713,100
March	4,210,000	3,372,000	838,000
February	4,247,000	3,374,200	872,800

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(2)

Prov.	1962 - March - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	225,813	157,663	68,150	259,399	182,980	76,419
Nfld.	7,142	5,459	1,683	6,829	5,598	1,231
P.E.I.	1,108	929	179	1,214	1,015	199
N.S.	14,233	7,338	6,895	12,770	8,351	4,419
N.B.	10,963	8,439	2,524	11,985	9,285	2,700
Que.	67,683	50,431	17,252	81,119	59,876	21,243
Ont.	68,868	46,725	22,143	84,399	56,216	28,183
Man.	10,350	8,127	2,223	11,428	8,859	2,569
Sask.	6,595	5,312	1,283	7,103	5,723	1,380
Alta.	14,169	10,048	4,121	15,602	10,990	4,612
B.C.	24,702	14,855	9,847	26,950	17,067	9,883

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants.

(2) In addition, revised claims received numbered 50,753.

Table 3. - Claimants* Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	March 31, 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	March 30, 1962									
CANADA -	687,450	118,369	54,714	100,227	119,548	136,625	68,815	89,152	44.0	837,961
MALE	547,100	96,644	44,270	81,000	95,793	116,649	55,081	57,663	48.0	670,517
FEMALE	140,350	21,725	10,444	19,227	23,755	19,976	13,734	31,489	28.2	167,444
Nfld.	35,990	3,239	2,327	5,706	7,966	11,188	3,081	2,483	84.0	36,626
Male	34,035	3,058	2,212	5,434	7,566	10,840	2,905	2,020	85.3	34,622
Female	1,955	181	115	272	400	348	176	463	60.2	2,004
P.E.I.	6,906	327	254	640	1,553	2,900	807	425	77.6	6,999
Male	5,819	262	197	555	1,341	2,524	660	280	80.3	5,981
Female	1,087	65	57	85	212	376	147	145	63.7	1,018
N.S.	43,371	8,887	2,385	4,858	8,822	9,012	4,080	5,327	54.7	47,539
Male	38,119	8,250	2,012	4,195	7,861	8,217	3,584	4,000	56.4	41,906
Female	5,252	637	373	663	961	795	496	1,327	42.6	5,633
N.B.	38,536	5,297	2,670	5,435	7,588	9,896	3,740	3,910	72.6	43,262
Male	32,932	4,809	2,381	4,834	6,611	8,745	3,109	2,443	75.6	37,345
Female	5,604	488	289	601	977	1,151	631	1,467	54.8	5,917
Que.	207,675	36,221	18,174	33,312	34,181	41,199	19,161	25,427	45.1	267,570
Male	171,116	29,547	15,460	28,822	28,994	36,310	15,497	16,486	49.0	219,730
Female	36,559	6,674	2,714	4,490	5,187	4,889	3,664	8,941	27.3	47,840
Ont.	195,136	34,840	15,999	27,786	32,401	34,092	20,531	29,487	26.1	248,515
Male	143,506	26,453	11,877	20,516	23,561	27,108	15,626	18,365	27.9	184,615
Female	51,630	8,387	4,122	7,270	8,840	6,984	4,905	11,122	21.0	63,900
Man.	33,777	4,995	2,765	5,589	6,657	6,627	3,278	3,866	35.2	36,960
Male	26,262	3,962	2,136	4,215	5,100	5,477	2,639	2,733	40.1	29,543
Female	7,515	1,033	629	1,374	1,557	1,150	639	1,133	17.9	7,417
Sask.	24,867	2,911	1,714	3,512	4,857	5,775	3,264	2,834	53.7	26,649
Male	19,762	2,318	1,361	2,731	3,722	4,960	2,794	1,876	58.7	21,841
Female	5,105	593	353	781	1,135	815	470	958	34.5	4,808
Alta.	37,878	9,030	3,545	5,957	6,373	5,854	3,429	3,690	64.1	43,567
Male	30,049	7,590	2,863	4,528	5,112	4,920	2,739	2,297	66.5	34,825
Female	7,829	1,440	682	1,429	1,261	934	690	1,393	54.9	8,742
B.C.	63,314	12,622	4,881	7,432	9,150	10,082	7,444	11,703	32.9	80,274
Male	45,500	10,395	3,771	5,170	5,925	7,548	5,528	7,163	36.7	60,109
Female	17,814	2,227	1,110	2,262	3,225	2,534	1,916	4,540	23.4	20,165

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.*

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>March - 1962</u>							
Canada -	229,044	133,072	65,164	25,749	5,059	40,179	13,085
Nfld.	7,258	4,607	1,643	888	120	1,657	346
P.E.I.	1,040	778	162	83	17	298	44
N.S.	13,932	6,097	6,632	959	244	2,353	621
N.B.	10,398	6,882	2,368	1,003	145	2,370	544
Que.	69,895	43,093	17,116	8,433	1,253	13,729	3,759
Ont.	70,966	39,986	20,953	8,184	1,843	10,854	4,179
Man.	10,295	6,758	2,235	1,064	238	1,599	428
Sask.	6,712	4,657	1,223	706	126	1,119	293
Alta.	14,511	8,564	3,941	1,644	362	2,171	871
B.C.	24,037	11,650	8,891	2,785	711	4,029	2,000
<u>March - 1961</u>							
Canada -	252,245	152,327	71,823	23,749	4,346	53,095	17,037
Nfld.	6,872	4,643	1,324	769	136	1,780	322
P.E.I.	1,196	892	196	96	12	214	39
N.S.	10,859	6,010	3,954	745	150	3,342	723
N.B.	10,928	7,283	2,536	969	140	2,734	528
Que.	80,859	50,636	21,015	8,057	1,151	18,242	4,993
Ont.	83,354	47,879	26,782	7,086	1,607	15,425	5,291
Man.	11,253	7,540	2,386	1,142	185	1,846	698
Sask.	7,102	4,990	1,245	745	122	1,363	332
Alta.	13,893	8,337	3,791	1,500	265	3,526	1,598
B.C.	25,929	14,117	8,594	2,640	578	4,623	2,513

* In addition 52,401 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 5,987 were special requests not granted and 2,662 were appeals by claimants. There were 11,841 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during March, 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962* 1961	12,100 12,117	477 293	40 46	462 376	611 605	4,331 4,442	3,276 3,257	531 502	250 285	652 768	1,470 1,543
Claimants disqualified	1962 1961	34,436 32,252	892 1,041	127 261	1,244 1,144	1,134 1,424	11,270 11,017	11,846 10,374	1,455 1,378	912 919	2,140 1,655	3,416 3,039
Not unemployed	1962 1961	1,549 1,494	43 24	4 2	38 25	35 56	710 643	310 437	76 72	109 98	117 70	107 67
Not capable of and not available for work	1962 1961	10,799 9,249	196 168	28 22	359 272	305 304	3,253 3,040	4,156 3,395	551 409	300 272	586 449	1,065 918
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962 1961	154 18	- -	- -	7 -	1 -	20 2	115 16	- -	- -	2 -	9 -
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962 1961	1,940 2,050	61 24	22 11	136 118	53 61	587 719	728 706	58 88	35 72	134 113	126 138
Discharged for misconduct	1962 1961	1,760 1,500	42 16	6 3	43 53	35 38	617 490	659 612	76 62	32 30	109 76	141 120
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962 1961	8,467 7,021	195 156	28 23	270 230	217 189	2,790 2,369	2,682 2,075	432 426	263 227	674 566	916 760
Other reasons	1962 1961	9,767 10,920	355 653	39 200	391 446	488 776	3,293 3,754	3,196 3,133	262 321	173 220	518 381	1,052 1,036
* Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during March	1962	6,018	348	54	252	356	2,272	1,796	145	78	189	528

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - March - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	638.8	807.1
Newfoundland	33.7	35.2
Prince Edward Island	8.0	7.9
Nova Scotia	38.7	44.0
New Brunswick	33.9	42.2
Quebec	184.9	248.8
Ontario	188.8	246.4
Manitoba	33.6	37.3
Saskatchewan	26.3	28.8
Alberta	33.4	41.6
British Columbia	57.5	75.1

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - March - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,810,753	68,826,613	3,551,350	85,187,924
Nfld.	148,471	3,565,525	154,824	3,691,730
P.E.I.	35,146	754,106	34,622	740,759
N.S.	170,318	3,922,160	193,437	4,351,719
N.B.	149,074	3,324,348	185,703	4,113,427
Que.	813,539	20,413,939	1,094,569	26,375,662
Ont.	830,839	20,314,954	1,084,319	25,964,240
Man.	147,896	3,612,411	163,972	3,998,317
Sask.	115,767	2,836,453	126,682	3,068,095
Alta.	146,837	3,728,122	182,963	4,537,896
B.C.	252,866	6,354,595	330,259	8,346,079

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

March - 1962

Canada -	2,638,578	172,175	125,683
Newfoundland	141,301	7,170	5,789
Prince Edward Island	33,895	1,251	967
Nova Scotia	158,713	11,605	9,360
New Brunswick	140,262	8,812	5,973
Quebec	768,220	45,319	29,860
Ontario	776,032	54,807	40,587
Manitoba	138,616	9,280	6,777
Saskatchewan	109,634	6,133	4,546
Alberta	137,771	9,066	5,940
British Columbia	234,134	18,732	15,884

March - 1961

Canada -	3,354,828	196,522	140,642
Newfoundland	149,365	5,459	3,915
Prince Edward Island	33,493	1,129	850
Nova Scotia	181,122	12,315	10,004
New Brunswick	175,500	10,203	7,046
Quebec	1,041,186	53,383	34,793
Ontario	1,020,254	64,065	46,154
Manitoba	154,592	9,380	6,909
Saskatchewan	120,160	6,522	4,844
Alberta	170,978	11,985	8,720
British Columbia	308,178	22,081	17,407

Seasonal benefit, 1961-62 period

The provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 20, 1961, to mid-May 1962, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 4 (1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their right to seasonal benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions if they wished to be re-considered for benefit. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks, (2) exhaustions would not occur before February 17.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since the preceding March 31. It follows, then, that no claims can be established in this class after March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class will be based entirely on contributions during this qualifying period. The duration will be 5 weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution, or a minimum of 13 weeks (subject to the exception in footnote 2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 20, 1961. The duration will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate (3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen) (4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing seasonal benefit claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 27.
- (2) Twelve weeks is the minimum on SBB claims. Where fewer than 12 weeks remain between the date of establishing the claim and May 19, the duration authorized will be equal to that number of weeks. For SB claims established subsequent to March 3 the duration will be under 12 weeks.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1962 - March - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	220,091	177,969	42,122	265,788	213,898	51,890
Nfld.	18,338	17,724	614	18,968	18,319	649
P.E.I.	3,819	3,292	527	4,063	3,579	484
N.S.	15,850	14,007	1,843	16,629	14,616	2,013
N.B.	17,328	15,068	2,260	19,266	16,671	2,595
Que.	64,741	53,708	11,033	86,568	71,436	15,132
Ont.	52,643	37,521	15,122	65,581	46,260	19,321
Man.	9,961	8,173	1,788	10,265	8,474	1,791
Sask.	7,945	6,375	1,570	8,377	6,917	1,460
Alta.	9,077	7,324	1,753	10,418	8,468	1,950
B.C.	20,389	14,777	5,612	25,653	19,158	6,495

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1962 - March - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	23,482	23,399	83	23,941	23,869	72
Nfld.	8,665	8,657	8	8,807	8,807	-
P.E.I.	1,570	1,536	34	1,509	1,480	29
N.S.	5,179	5,174	5	5,194	5,187	7
N.B.	3,143	3,131	12	3,485	3,478	7
Que.	955	952	3	1,062	1,061	1
Ont.	499	496	3	362	358	4
Man.	229	229	-	292	292	-
Sask.	-	-	-	3	3	-
Alta.	22	22	-	30	30	-
B.C.	3,220	3,202	18	3,197	3,173	24

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$23.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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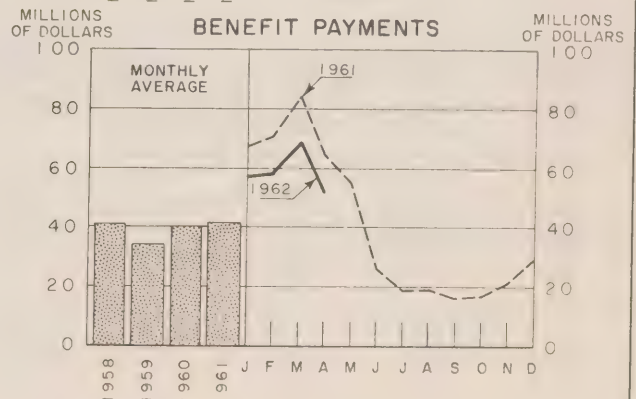
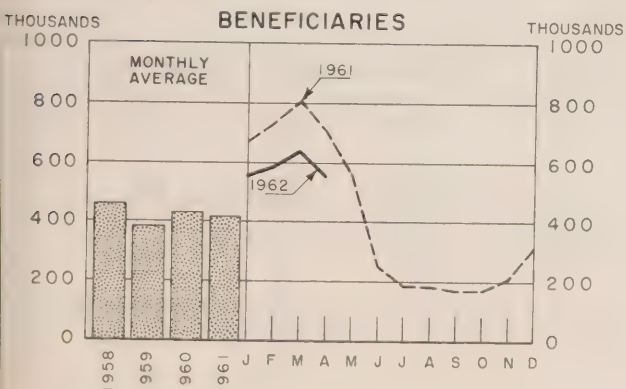
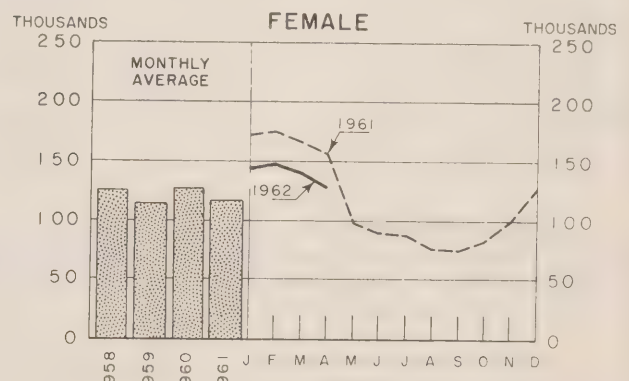
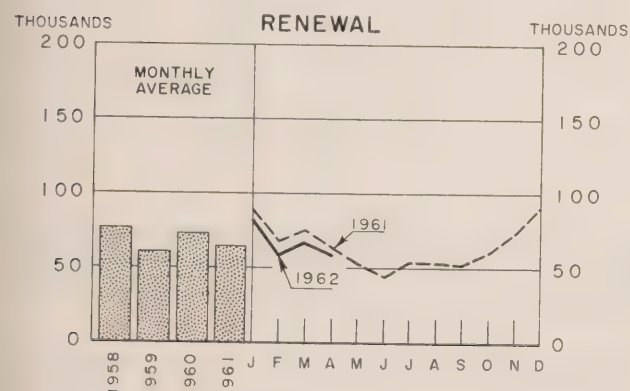
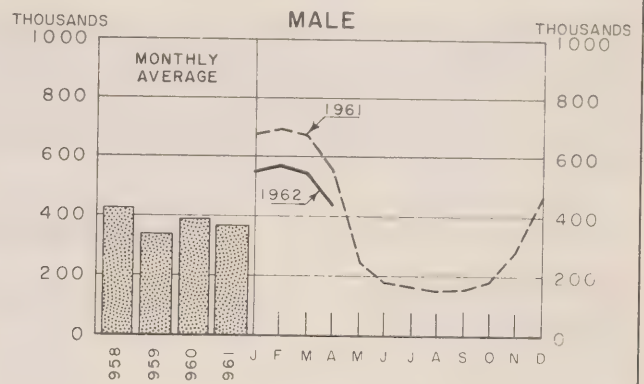
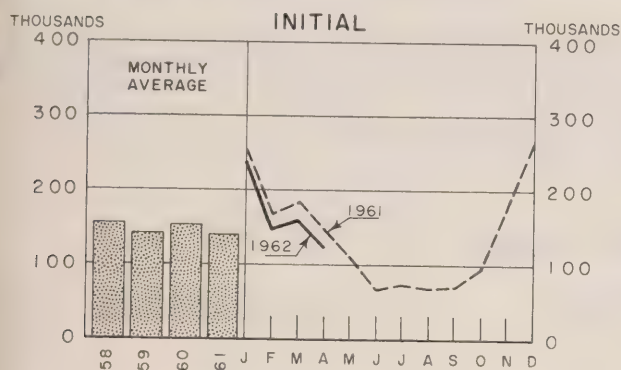
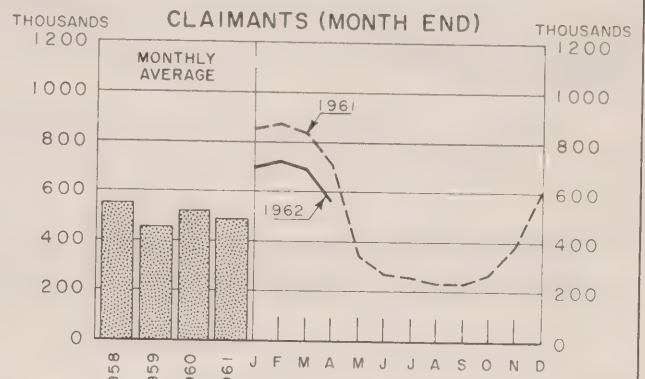
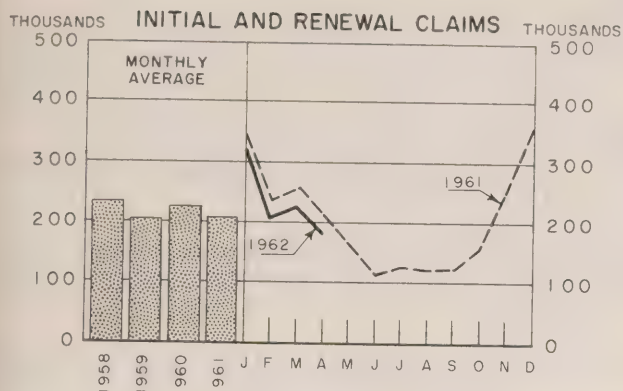
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Historical data since 1941 are contained in the July 1961 issue in this series, while annual data for the calendar years 1961 and 1960 are included in the January 1962 issue in this series.

For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

April 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit totalled 564,500 on April 30, down 123,000 from March 30 and approximately 150,000 below April 28, 1961. Included in totals for these dates are seasonal benefit claimants numbering 191,200 on April 30, 220,100 on March 30 and 246,800 on April 28, 1961.

While the claimant total at the end of April this year is substantially below that for one year ago, the March to April decline was approximately the same as for last year. In percentage terms, the month-to-month net decline was 18 per cent this year in comparison with 15 per cent last year.

Males accounted for 77 per cent of the total on April 30, in comparison with 79 per cent on March 30 and 78 per cent on April 28, 1961.

Examination of the volume of claimants by the number of weeks on claim indicates an increase of between 20 and 25 per cent in the 17 weeks or over group whereas the volume on claim less than 17 weeks declined by 30 per cent during April. The experience was similar in April 1961. However, comparing April 1961 with 1962, the number on claim 17 weeks or over this year is almost 30 per cent lower than last year, while the shorter term group is down by about 15 per cent. The following table presents these data separately for males and females.

Percentage change in claimants

<u>Number of persons</u> <u>on continuous claim</u>	<u>March to April</u>		<u>April 1962 over 1961</u>
	1962	: 1961	
16 weeks or less	-30	-29	-16
17 weeks or more	+23	+24	-29
<u>Males</u>			
16 weeks or less	-33	-32	-17
17 weeks or more	+28	+29	-31
<u>Females</u>			
16 weeks or less	-17	-15	-14
17 weeks or more	+11	+10	-21

Regular claimants were down by 20 per cent on April 30, while fishing seasonal benefit claimants declined by more than 40 per cent. Claimants identified as non-fishing seasonal benefit showed a 10 per cent decline. The proportion of claimants identified as seasonal benefit increased, as is usual at this season of the year, to 34 per cent. Last year the proportion was 35 per cent.

It is estimated that some 170,000 claimants(1) ceased drawing regular benefit and returned to work during April. This estimate takes into consideration the 127,600 new claims filed in April (excluding initial claims in respect of persons seeking re-establishment of additional credits but including renewal claims) and the fact that the number of claims established under the seasonal benefit provisions (51,000) is short of the decline in regular claimants (94,000). During the seasonal benefit period, persons exhausting on regular benefit are automatically eligible for seasonal, so that any decline in the regular count is probably due to economic factors, rather than exhaustion of rights. Comparable estimates are not available for last year.

Some 44 per cent of the claimants were classed as postal, virtually unchanged from March but somewhat higher than last year when 40 per cent were postal. Part of the currently higher rate over 1961 is due to the new procedure temporarily effective in Edmonton, Alberta.(2)

- (1) The month-end claimant count includes some persons who worked a part of the week, since benefit may be claimed for any week which does not constitute a claimant's full working week.
- (2) See paragraph 4, page 4 of the March 1962 issue in this series.

Initial and Renewal Claims:
receipt and disposal

A total of 181,300 claims were filed during April, down 20 per cent from March and almost 15 per cent below April 1961. Of this total, 127,600 or 70 per cent were classed as separations from insured employment during the month, comprising 68,400 initials and 59,200 renewals. Forty-four per cent of the initial claims were continuing initials.(1)

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 556,300 for April, 638,800 for March and 708,200 for April 1961. Payments amounted to \$51.6 million during April, in comparison with \$68.8 million in March and \$64.5 million in April 1961. The average weekly payment was \$24.43 for April as against \$24.49 in March and \$23.98 in April 1961.

Claims and benefit payments, by province

All provinces shared in the March-to-April as well as in the year-over-year decline in claimant count.

Percentage change in month-end claimant count

	March 30 to April 30, 1962			April 28, 1961 to April 30, 1962			March 31 to April 28, 1961		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	-18	-20	- 8	-21	-22	-17	-15	-17	- 7
Nfld.	-24	-25	-13	-10	-10	-12	-17	-18	- 4
P.E.I.	-30	-32	-19	- 5	- 7	+ 6	-28	-29	-19
N.S.	-23	-24	- 9	-13	-14	- 8	-19	-20	- 8
N.B.	-15	-16	-12	-17	-18	- 9	- 9	-10	- 8
Que.	-16	-19	- 4	-24	-24	-22	-15	-17	- 5
Ont.	-20	-24	- 9	-27	-28	-22	-14	-17	- 6
Man.	-13	-14	-10	-10	-12	- 5	-12	-14	- 5
Sask.	-23	-25	-15	- 7	- 9	+ 2	-23	-26	-11
Alta.	-11	-15	-	-11	-15	+ 3	-13	-14	-13
B.C.	-16	-18	-10	-21	-25	-12	-16	-18	- 9

The April intake of claims was below March by 10 per cent or more in all provinces except Prince Edward Island where there was a slight rise. In comparison with last year, only Manitoba showed an increase.

Percentage change in claims filed

	March to April 1962			April 1961 to April 1962			March to April 1961		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	-20	-23	-13	-13	-15	-10	-19	-21	-14
Nfld.	-24	-20	-37	-12	-16	+11	- 9	- 7	-22
P.E.I.	+ 2	- 8	+54	- 9	-18	+38	+ 2	+ 2	-
N.S.	-25	- 7	-44	-23	-18	-30	+ 8	-	+23
N.B.	-10	-18	+15	-13	-15	- 9	- 5	-12	+18
Que.	-20	-26	- 4	-14	-16	-11	-23	-26	-12
Ont.	-20	-24	-10	-18	-21	-14	-20	-21	-18
Man.	-20	-29	+13	+ 3	- 3	+19	-30	-33	-18
Sask.	-16	-25	+21	-	-11	+40	-22	-22	-19
Alta.	-17	-17	-16	- 2	- 2	- 2	-23	-22	-24
B.C.	-21	-18	-27	- 7	-10	-	-23	-21	-27

(1) These are claims taken from persons exhausting benefit and seeking additional credits. In the main they represent exhaustions of regular benefit eligible for additional benefit under the seasonal benefit terms.

The proportion of claims representing new cases was lowest in the Atlantic provinces and this is associated with the prevalence of seasonal benefit in that area:

Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
70	46	45	69	59	68	74	66	63	77	79

The average weekly payment was lowest in Prince Edward Island and highest in Alberta:

<u>Average weekly payment, April 1962</u>			
Canada	24.43	Quebec	24.69
		Ontario	24.63
Newfoundland	24.14	Manitoba	24.43
Prince Edward Island	21.50	Saskatchewan	24.19
Nova Scotia	23.08	Alberta	25.39
New Brunswick	22.70	British Columbia	24.88

Industrial classification of persons filing initial(1)
claims for unemployment insurance during March

Some 93,000 initial claims were filed on behalf of persons separated from insured employment during March. This is 5 per cent below February when the number was just under 98,000. Manufacturing accounted for approximately 24,000 cases, forestry 16,000. In comparison with February, these totals represent increases of 15 and 20 per cent, respectively. Construction, accounting for some 14,000 cases, was down by a third, while a 20 per cent decline occurred in the number from trade.

Percentage distribution of claims by industry
and province

March 1962

Industry Group	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	93.1	2.8	(2)	3.6	4.4	30.9	29.0	3.7	2.3	6.6	9.7
Per cent											
Forestry (mainly logging)	17	37		14	38	26	9	3	3	5	16
Fishing & Trapping	1	1		1	1	-	-	7	-	-	3
Mining	3	2		17	1	1	2	3	6	11	9
Manufacturing	25	10		19	10	25	35	22	14	17	19
Construction	15	19		11	11	16	13	16	20	27	9
Transp., Commun., & Other Utilities	8	9		13	16	8	7	12	10	7	6
Trade	14	11		13	12	10	16	20	23	14	15
Service	10	5		5	4	10	9	10	15	11	15
Pub. Admin. & Defence(3)	4	6		4	5	3	4	4	6	5	4
Other	3	-		2	2	1	5	3	3	3	4

(1) Data cover new cases only, i.e. they exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits. Such exclusions account for 40 per cent of the initial claims filed in March.

(2) Fewer than 100 cases.

(3) Includes all basic government service except Post Office which is now included with communication.

All provinces except Newfoundland, Alberta and British Columbia recorded a decline. The percentage change from February to March is as follows:

	<u>Percent change February to March</u>	<u>Per cent distribution</u>	
		<u>March</u>	<u>February</u>
Canada	- 5	100.0	100.0
Nfld.	+10	3.0	2.6
P.E.I.	-79	0.1	0.4
N.S.	-19	3.9	4.6
N.B.	- 8	4.8	5.0
Que.	- 6	33.2	33.8
Ont.	- 8	31.1	32.2
Man.	- 5	4.0	4.0
Sask.	-18	2.5	2.9
Alta.	+16	7.0	5.8
B.C.	+14	10.4	8.7

An increase in Newfoundland was mainly due to reduced employment in forestry. In Alberta and British Columbia, most of the February to March increase was accounted for by somewhat higher claim loads from persons engaged in primary industries and manufacturing.

Examination of the month-end claimant(1) count for persons on continuous claim less than 5 weeks indicated a slight increase, at the national level, in the proportion of males, March 30 over February 28. In all provinces except Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and Quebec, males comprised a higher proportion of those on claim less than 5 weeks, on March 30, as against February 28. The percentages of males for this group, by province, is as follows:

Males as a per cent of all persons on continuous claim less than 5 weeks as of

	<u>March 30, 1962</u>	<u>February 28, 1962</u>
Canada	81.4	80.6
Newfoundland	94.7	94.9
Prince Edward Island	79.0	84.3
Nova Scotia	91.0	88.1
New Brunswick	90.2	88.3
Quebec	82.7	84.9
Ontario	75.4	74.7
Manitoba	78.6	75.0
Saskatchewan	79.5	79.0
Alberta	83.1	77.0
British Columbia	80.9	74.7

The industrial composition of the new cases, referred to above, is undoubtedly reflected in the changing proportions of men on claim for less than 5 weeks(2).

-) Table 3.
) The number of claimants less than 5 weeks on claim as at the month-end probably includes some who started on claim towards the end of the preceding month. For example, a person filing a claim the last week in February would have been included in the two weeks or less as of February 28 and if still reporting as of March 30 would be included in the "less than 5 weeks" if the period covered by his last report was the week ending March 24.
 . Figures not available.
 . Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Apr. 1962	Mar. 1962	Apr. 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Mar. 1962	Apr. 1961	January to April		12 months ending April	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,095	4,126	..	..	..	4,206*	..	4,108*
Initial and renewal claims filed	181	226	210	-20	-13	933	1,048	2,346	2,703
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	564	687	713	-18	-21	667*	818*	437*	530*
Regular	373	467	466	-20	-20				
SB	191	220	247	-13	-23				
SB Fishing	13	23	13	-43	-				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	556	639	708	-13	-21	586*	731*	368*	444*
Weeks compensated	2,114	2,811	2,691	-25	-21	9,639	12,017	18,357	22,136
Benefit paid	51,647	68,827	64,540	-25	-20	236,261	288,377	441,855	516,670
Average weekly benefit	24.43	24.49	23.98	-	+ 2	24.51	24.00	24.07	23.34

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - March	4,095,000	3,407,500	687,500(1)
February	4,092,000	3,373,300	718,700(1)
January	4,208,000	3,509,500	698,500(1)
1961 - December	4,196,000	3,594,800	601,200(1)
November	4,081,000	3,695,000	386,000(1)
October	3,991,000	3,722,300	268,700
September	3,966,000	3,736,800	229,200
October	3,987,000	3,757,700	229,300
July	3,971,000	3,715,700	255,300
June	3,943,000	3,676,100	266,900
May	3,891,000	3,550,000	341,000
April	4,126,000	3,412,900	713,100
March	4,210,000	3,372,000	838,000

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(2)

Prov.	1962 - April - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	181,299	122,080	59,219	209,551	144,114	65,437
Nfld.	5,445	4,381	1,064	6,185	5,225	960
P.E.I.	1,127	852	275	1,233	1,034	199
N.S.	10,671	6,828	3,843	13,819	8,367	5,452
N.B.	9,819	6,913	2,906	11,344	8,161	3,183
Que.	53,848	37,356	16,492	62,843	44,234	18,609
Ont.	55,339	35,408	19,931	67,670	44,598	23,072
Man.	8,281	5,772	2,509	8,033	5,921	2,112
Sask.	5,526	3,971	1,555	5,553	4,441	1,112
Alta.	11,827	8,374	3,453	12,087	8,573	3,514
B.C.	19,416	12,225	7,191	20,784	13,560	7,224

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants.

(2) In addition, revised claims received numbered 64,975.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	April 28, 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	April 30, 1962									
CANADA -	564,478	92,874	46,659	79,020	73,038	78,482	74,684	119,721	44.4	713,147
MALE	435,094	71,820	37,456	62,895	57,630	60,860	61,824	82,609	49.2	556,963
FEMALE	129,384	21,054	9,203	16,125	15,408	17,622	12,860	37,112	28.0	156,184
Nfld.	27,253	2,197	1,424	3,519	4,163	5,369	6,240	4,341	81.7	30,423
Male	25,552	2,026	1,350	3,333	3,935	5,049	6,012	3,847	83.4	28,490
Female	1,701	171	74	186	228	320	228	494	56.9	1,933
P.E.I.	4,826	368	206	329	513	963	1,534	913	75.4	5,059
Male	3,947	281	172	264	443	810	1,303	674	78.4	4,230
Female	879	87	34	65	70	153	231	239	62.3	829
N.S.	33,560	5,243	2,294	3,598	3,635	5,993	5,495	7,302	56.9	38,539
Male	28,790	4,697	1,974	3,013	3,065	5,295	4,974	5,772	58.6	33,357
Female	4,770	546	320	585	570	698	521	1,530	46.7	5,182
N.B.	32,678	3,872	2,598	4,627	4,524	5,191	5,618	6,248	69.3	39,218
Male	27,756	3,378	2,409	4,184	4,010	4,498	4,861	4,416	71.9	33,788
Female	4,922	494	189	443	514	693	757	1,832	54.6	5,430
Que.	174,620	28,042	14,165	26,703	25,263	23,706	22,425	34,316	45.6	228,346
Male	139,461	21,028	11,496	22,479	21,784	19,641	19,087	23,946	50.4	183,117
Female	35,159	7,014	2,669	4,224	3,479	4,065	3,338	10,370	26.6	45,229
Ont.	156,463	27,967	12,720	21,642	18,310	19,480	18,110	38,234	26.5	213,303
Male	109,444	20,077	9,268	15,321	12,660	13,167	13,899	25,052	28.9	152,934
Female	47,019	7,890	3,452	6,321	5,650	6,313	4,211	13,182	20.9	60,369
Man.	29,238	4,360	2,370	4,217	4,421	4,342	3,763	5,765	34.5	32,514
Male	22,487	3,427	1,865	3,302	3,278	3,297	3,073	4,245	39.9	25,443
Female	6,751	933	505	915	1,143	1,045	690	1,520	16.5	7,071
Sask.	19,061	2,702	1,450	2,275	2,451	3,107	2,966	4,110	55.9	20,446
Male	14,738	2,209	1,165	1,752	1,845	2,294	2,474	2,999	61.6	16,188
Female	4,323	493	285	523	606	813	492	1,111	36.6	4,258
Alta.	33,537	7,493	3,977	5,132	4,573	4,305	3,234	4,823	68.9	37,687
Male	25,691	6,123	3,272	4,029	3,303	3,228	2,469	3,267	73.7	30,061
Female	7,846	1,370	705	1,103	1,270	1,077	765	1,556	53.3	7,626
B.C.	53,242	10,630	5,455	6,978	5,185	6,026	5,299	13,669	33.4	67,612
Male	37,228	8,574	4,485	5,218	3,307	3,581	3,672	8,391	37.6	49,355
Female	16,014	2,056	970	1,760	1,878	2,445	1,627	5,278	23.5	18,257

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.*

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>April - 1962</u>							
Canada -	188,155	104,508	54,453	24,474	4,720	33,277	13,131
Nfld.	5,841	3,868	1,022	818	133	1,352	255
P.E.I.	1,237	866	262	86	23	198	34
N.S.	11,445	6,441	3,861	950	193	1,790	410
N.B.	10,476	6,493	2,878	954	151	1,836	421
Que.	56,673	33,291	15,056	7,156	1,170	10,638	4,025
Ont.	55,999	28,806	17,771	7,679	1,743	9,777	4,596
Man.	8,287	4,851	2,061	1,169	206	1,351	670
Sask.	5,646	3,371	1,396	713	166	1,006	286
Alta.	12,113	6,751	3,308	1,778	276	2,016	740
B.C.	20,438	9,770	6,838	3,171	659	3,313	1,694
<u>April - 1961</u>							
Canada -	234,788	139,561	65,909	25,019	4,299	32,629	12,266
Nfld.	6,444	4,643	919	765	117	1,597	246
P.E.I.	1,270	941	191	123	15	184	32
N.S.	15,148	8,061	5,611	1,257	219	2,391	345
N.B.	12,492	8,207	3,156	1,027	102	1,661	453
Que.	70,653	43,795	18,526	7,280	1,052	11,401	4,024
Ont.	74,530	42,614	22,359	7,899	1,658	9,510	4,346
Man.	9,289	5,727	2,187	1,198	177	842	446
Sask.	6,115	4,134	1,106	787	88	883	250
Alta.	15,096	8,804	4,132	1,930	230	1,365	750
B.C.	23,751	12,635	7,722	2,753	641	2,795	1,374

* In addition 55,322 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 4,638 were special requests not granted and 2,167 were appeals by claimants. There were 21,494 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during April, 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
Benefit period not established	1962*	13,288	418	55	468	604	4,019	3,838	633	340	1,000	1,913
	1961	13,756	386	65	512	679	4,297	4,135	598	364	1,062	1,658
Claimants disqualified	1962	30,991	842	119	1,201	1,049	9,811	10,399	1,402	991	1,887	3,290
	1961	29,807	897	175	1,471	928	9,397	9,904	1,231	797	1,804	3,203
Not unemployed	1962	1,195	27	8	47	27	422	261	79	83	134	107
	1961	1,032	26	8	21	30	376	289	47	83	83	69
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	10,394	175	30	364	300	3,097	3,803	562	365	642	1,056
	1961	8,807	157	27	264	229	2,746	3,347	323	203	500	1,011
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	335	-	-	16	-	168	97	-	40	2	12
	1961	297	-	-	95	-	79	77	40	-	-	6
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,921	28	21	115	61	598	730	49	64	124	131
	1961	2,100	13	20	109	59	605	816	81	73	139	185
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,298	28	-	50	33	462	482	42	26	52	123
	1961	1,266	36	7	49	34	406	486	48	20	70	110
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	7,112	164	22	211	176	2,198	2,351	399	229	505	857
	1961	6,302	122	28	245	167	1,901	1,954	410	196	596	683
Other reasons	1962	8,736	420	38	398	452	2,866	2,675	271	184	428	1,004
	1961	10,003	543	85	688	409	3,284	2,935	282	222	416	1,139
* Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim												
during April		1962	4,362	225	24	157	277	1,703	91	64	213	520

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - April - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	556.3	708.2
Newfoundland	30.0	37.6
Prince Edward Island	5.5	6.2
Nova Scotia	32.1	39.1
New Brunswick	31.7	39.8
Quebec	177.2	230.3
Ontario	154.1	203.1
Manitoba	27.7	30.5
Saskatchewan	18.5	20.9
Alberta	29.7	34.9
British Columbia	49.9	65.8

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - April - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,113,953	51,647,128	2,691,331	64,540,203
Nfld.	113,996	2,752,086	143,066	3,503,835
P.E.I.	20,845	448,066	23,514	519,910
N.S.	122,068	2,818,201	148,456	3,354,173
N.B.	120,446	2,734,135	151,407	3,422,306
Que.	673,341	16,625,251	875,214	21,082,701
Ont.	585,573	14,423,550	771,878	18,416,372
Man.	105,122	2,568,188	115,932	2,813,566
Sask.	70,209	1,698,554	79,569	1,913,302
Alta.	112,793	2,863,516	132,445	3,264,754
B.C.	189,560	4,715,581	249,850	6,249,284

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

April - 1962

Canada -	1,969,833	144,120	105,973
Newfoundland	108,099	5,897	4,332
Prince Edward Island	19,772	1,073	769
Nova Scotia	112,233	9,835	7,939
New Brunswick	112,492	7,954	5,033
Quebec	632,109	41,232	28,309
Ontario	541,695	43,878	32,986
Manitoba	97,970	7,152	5,282
Saskatchewan	65,809	4,400	3,388
Alberta	105,005	7,788	5,596
British Columbia	174,649	14,911	12,339

April - 1961

Canada -	2,525,460	165,871	118,161
Newfoundland	137,616	5,450	3,734
Prince Edward Island	22,356	1,158	723
Nova Scotia	134,521	13,935	10,960
New Brunswick	142,778	8,629	5,418
Quebec	828,964	46,250	30,963
Ontario	720,851	51,027	37,173
Manitoba	108,942	6,990	5,231
Saskatchewan	74,877	4,692	3,586
Alberta	123,327	9,118	6,402
British Columbia	231,228	18,622	13,971

Seasonal benefit, 1961-62 period

The provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 20, 1961, to mid-May 1962, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 4 (1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their right to seasonal benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions if they wished to be re-considered for benefit. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks, (2) exhaustions would not occur before February 17.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since the preceding March 31. It follows, then, that no claims can be established in this class after March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class will be based entirely on contributions during this qualifying period. The duration will be 5 weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution, or a minimum of 13 weeks (subject to the exception in footnote 2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 20, 1961. The duration will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate (3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen) (4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing seasonal benefit claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 27.
- (2) Twelve weeks is the minimum on SBB claims. Where fewer than 12 weeks remain between the date of establishing the claim and May 19, the duration authorized will be equal to that number of weeks. For SB claims established subsequent to March 3 the duration will be under 12 weeks.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1962 - April - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	191,198	153,299	37,899	246,770	196,899	49,871
Nfld.	13,526	12,963	563	15,229	14,586	643
P.E.I.	2,685	2,243	442	2,885	2,464	421
N.S.	13,121	11,456	1,665	14,617	12,796	1,821
N.B.	14,668	12,657	2,011	17,647	15,496	2,151
Que.	59,486	49,088	10,398	82,671	68,155	14,516
Ont.	46,346	33,041	13,305	64,238	44,967	19,271
Man.	9,766	8,160	1,606	10,402	8,621	1,781
Sask.	6,769	5,464	1,305	7,252	5,957	1,295
Alta.	8,244	6,591	1,653	9,843	7,879	1,964
B.C.	16,587	11,636	4,951	21,986	15,978	6,008

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1962 - April - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	13,304	13,269	35	13,226	13,190	36
Nfld.	5,032	5,030	2	5,001	5,001	-
P.E.I.	634	619	15	577	562	15
N.S.	3,274	3,273	1	3,069	3,066	3
N.B.	1,525	1,522	3	1,762	1,757	5
Que.	590	589	1	632	631	1
Ont.	184	183	1	147	144	3
Man.	327	327	-	441	441	-
Sask.	-	-	-	3	3	-
Alta.	18	18	-	26	26	-
B.C.	1,720	1,708	12	1,568	1,559	9

NB: In Table 3b for March, the heading should read: 1962 - March - 1961.

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

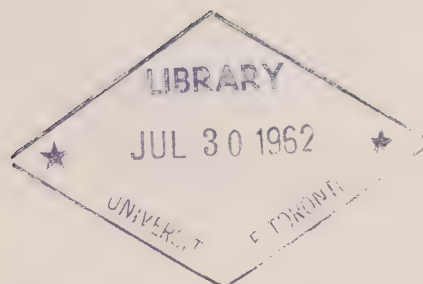
Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.



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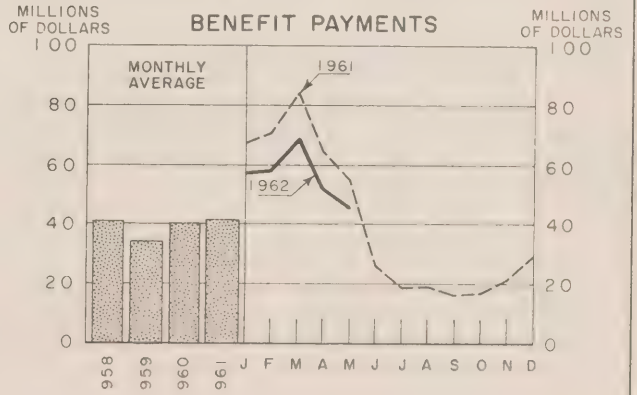
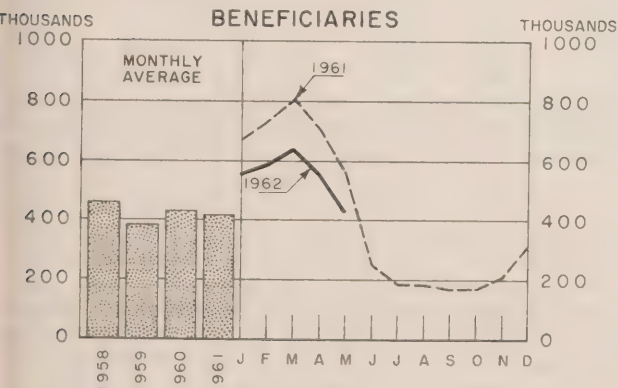
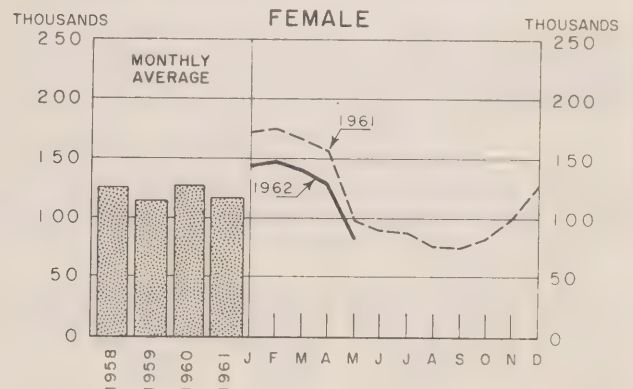
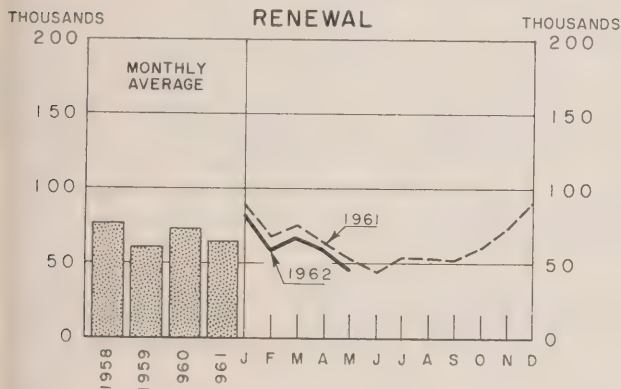
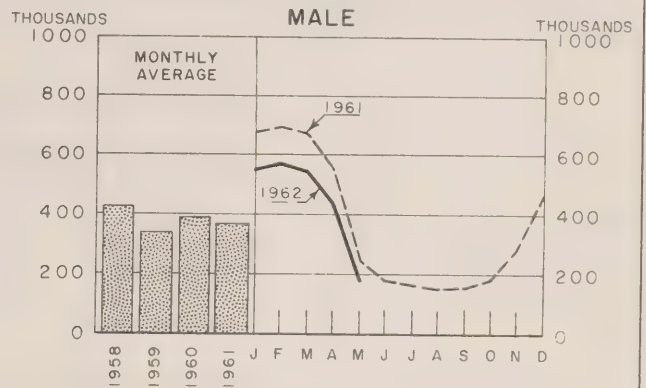
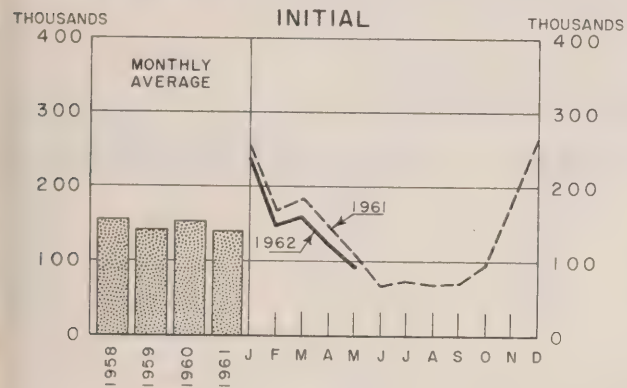
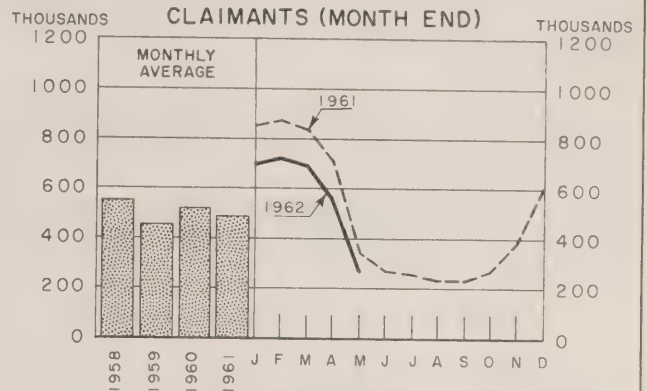
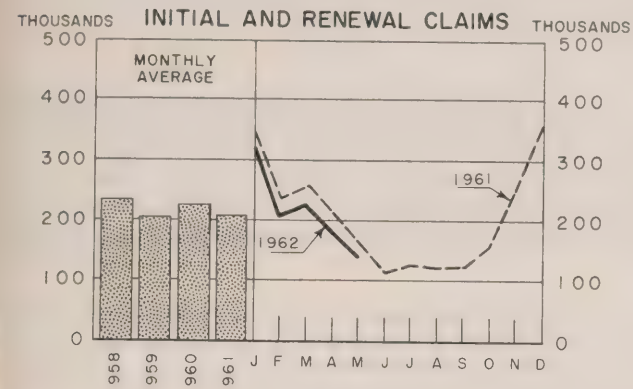
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Historical data since 1941 are contained in the July 1961 issue in this series, while annual data for the calendar years 1961 and 1960 are included in the January 1962 issue in this series.

For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

May, 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

The interval during which seasonal benefit was operative terminated on May 19 (May 20 one year ago). The claimant count for the end of May, therefore, represents claimants for regular benefit only, whereas April figures included seasonal benefit claimants.

Claimants for regular benefit on May 31 numbered 263,900, between 20 and 25 per cent below last year when they numbered 341,000. On April 30, the claimant count was 564,500, comprising 373,300 identified as regular and 191,200 as seasonal benefit.

Males accounted for 100,600 or 90 per cent of the 109,400 decrease in regular claimants in May.

The proportion of persons on continuous claim at least 13 weeks on May 31 this year was somewhat lower than for last year, while the reverse was true for the 5 weeks or less category, as the following table illustrates:

Per cent distribution of regular claimants

	May 31, 1962			May 31, 1961		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100
Less than 5 weeks	32	33	32	29	29	30
5 - 12 weeks	29	31	25	28	29	25
13 weeks or over	39	36	43	43	42	45

Changes on the distribution of regular claimants were more pronounced for men than for women.

Initial and renewal claims: receipt and disposal

A total of 138,400 initial and renewal claims were filed during May, down more than 40,000 from April and approximately 24,000 fewer than May 1961. The May initial claims, totalling 93,000, included 35,000 on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits; for April, these figures were 122,100 and 53,700 respectively. The relatively lesser prominence of continuing initials in May is due mainly to the termination of the seasonal benefit period.

Despite the overall decline in claims processed (153,500 in May as against 188,200 in April), the number of cases in which a benefit period was not established rose slightly. This is associated with the termination of the seasonal benefit period and the necessity for claimants to fulfil the regular requirements in order to qualify for benefit. This is usual for this season of the year.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 430,300 for May, 556,300 for April and 563,500 for May 1961. Payments amounted to \$45.4 million during May, in comparison with \$51.6 million during April and \$58.7 million during May 1961. The average weekly payment was \$23.99 for May, \$24.43 for April and \$23.68 for May 1961.

It is emphasized that the termination of the seasonal benefit period on May 19 had less impact on payment data than on the count of claimants or claims processed. This is because the week of May 20-26 was the only week for which seasonal benefit was not applicable, and it is also the final week covered by the May payment data. Hence, seasonal benefit payments were made for approximately three-quarters of the month. Persons claiming seasonal benefit would not be included in the month-end claimant count unless they filed a new claim for regular benefit and the number of such cases is usually negligible. Initial claims failing the regular requirements for benefit on a claim filed

during the week commencing May 13 would have been considered under seasonal benefit class B only if the new claim immediately followed termination on regular benefit and if any excess earnings during the last two weeks of the preceding benefit period were not greater than the weekly benefit rate on that claim. Class A is not operative between April 1 and mid-May.

Claims and benefit payments, by province

Variations in the relative importance of seasonal benefit have their impact on the April to May changes in the month-end claimant count, by province. For this reason, month-to-month percentage changes are not shown. Year-over-year percentage declines were 20 per cent or more in Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia; they were below 10 per cent in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Manitoba.

Percentage changes in month-end count of regular claimants

May 31, 1961 to May 31, 1962

	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 23	- 25	- 16
Newfoundland	- 1	- 2	+ 6
Prince Edward Island	- 22	- 28	- 6
Nova Scotia	- 6	- 6	- 8
New Brunswick	- 17	- 20	- 4
Quebec	- 24	- 26	- 21
Ontario	- 30	- 36	- 19
Manitoba	- 8	- 9	- 6
Saskatchewan	- 13	- 17	- 4
Alberta	- 15	- 17	- 10
British Columbia	- 20	- 24	- 10

The May intake of claims was significantly below that for April in all provinces, the largest percentage declines occurring in Prince Edward Island (57 per cent) and Saskatchewan (49 per cent) while in only three provinces (Nova Scotia, Ontario and British Columbia) was the decrease below 20 per cent. Nova Scotia recorded a 10 per cent increase in renewals during May and this is attributed mainly to reduced operations in coal mines.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	<u>April to May</u> <u>1962</u>			<u>May 1961 to</u> <u>May 1962</u>			<u>April to May</u> <u>1961</u>		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 24	- 24	- 23	- 15	- 15	- 14	- 23	- 24	- 19
Nfld.	- 21	- 16	- 39	+ 8	+ 3	+ 41	- 35	- 32	- 52
P.E.I.	- 57	- 55	- 61	- 16	- 20	- 1	- 53	- 54	- 45
N.S.	- 19	- 35	+ 10	+ 27	- 9	+ 119	- 51	- 42	- 65
N.B.	- 43	- 39	- 52	- 9	- 15	+ 12	- 46	- 40	- 61
Que.	- 21	- 22	- 20	- 16	- 16	- 16	- 20	- 22	- 15
Ont.	- 19	- 18	- 22	- 23	- 20	- 27	- 15	- 19	- 7
Man.	- 31	- 29	- 36	- 6	- 8	+ 1	- 25	- 25	- 24
Sask.	- 49	- 46	- 56	- 14	- 16	- 6	- 41	- 43	- 34
Alta.	- 38	- 39	- 38	- 14	- 10	- 24	- 30	- 33	- 20
B.C.	- 15	- 12	- 19	- 11	- 8	- 15	- 11	- 14	- 5

Approximately 103,000 of the 138,400 initial and renewal claims were indicated as new(1) separations from insured employment during May. This is a decline of about 25,000 from the April figure of 127,600.

(1) Excluding continuing initials.

Initial and renewal claims (excluding continuing
initials) for April and May, 1962

	May	April
Canada	102,954	127,600
Newfoundland	1,791	2,520
Prince Edward Island	247	508
Nova Scotia	6,779	7,413
New Brunswick	3,141	5,837
Quebec	30,640	36,810
Ontario	36,114	41,141
Manitoba	4,054	5,473
Saskatchewan	1,900	3,502
Alberta	5,612	9,066
British Columbia	12,676	15,330

Industrial classification of persons filing(1) initial claims
for unemployment insurance during April 1962

Some 68,400 initial claims were filed by persons separating from insured employment during April. This constitutes a decline of between 25 and 30 per cent from the March total of 93,000. All provinces shared in the decline except Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia. The April claims indicated a substantial decline in every major industrial division except mining, where claims were up by 25 per cent, and in Public Administration where the volume of claims was unchanged.

Percentage distribution of claims by industry and province

April, 1962

Industry Group	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	68.4	1.5	0.2	3.6	2.9	20.3	21.2	3.0	1.9	5.6	8.1
Forestry (mainly logging)	9	34	2	5	13	8	7	4	5	7	16
Fishing and trapping	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Mining	6	4	-	39	4	3	1	3	11	21	2
Manufacturing	29	10	22	18	17	37	32	22	17	11	33
Construction	12	12	18	6	7	15	11	19	12	15	9
Transp., Commun., and other Utilities	11	7	16	18	31	9	11	11	11	8	6
Trade	13	17	19	7	14	9	17	16	16	17	11
Service	11	7	10	4	6	11	12	13	19	11	12
Pub. Admin. and Defence(2)	5	8	11	3	6	4	4	8	7	7	6
Other	3	1	3	1	2	4	3	3	3	3	5

Approximately 30 per cent of the April cases reflected separations from manufacturing, and of these about half were classed as durable goods industries and another 25 per cent either foods, beverages or clothing. The wood-working industry accounted for well over a third of the durable goods cases.

Separations from logging accounted for more than a third of the new cases in Newfoundland, between 10 and 15 per cent in New Brunswick and between 15 and 20 per cent in British Columbia. In Nova Scotia and Alberta, approximately 40 and 20 per cent, respectively, of the claims resulted from employment cutbacks in coal and other fuel mining.

- (1) Data cover new cases only, i.e. they exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits. Such exclusions account for approximately 45 per cent of the initial claims filed in April.
- (2) Includes all basic government service except Post Office which is now included with communication.

Approximately a third of the new cases in New Brunswick were associated with reduced employment in rail transport and in services incidental to water transportation.

The major segments of the manufacturing industry from which claims emanated are as follows:

	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
	Per cent										
Manufacturing	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Foods and beverages	12	19	57	56	28	8	10	10	25	31	10
Textiles	8	8	-	2	-	18	3	-	-	-	1
Clothing	12	8	2	-	-	19	10	-	-	12	4
Other non-durables	18	42	12	7	14	16	23	45	15	15	11
Durables	50	23	29	35	58	39	54	45	60	42	74

At the national level, the proportion of males among claimants reporting less than 5 weeks as of April 30, at 78 per cent, was somewhat lower than for March 30 when more than 80 per cent were males. This is normal for this season of the year. All provinces shared in this decline except Saskatchewan and British Columbia where there was a slight increase.

Males as a per cent of all persons on continuous
claim less than 5 weeks, as of

	April 30, 1962	March 30, 1962
Canada	78.3	81.4
Newfoundland	93.2	94.7
Prince Edward Island	78.9	79.0
Nova Scotia	88.5	91.0
New Brunswick	89.4	90.2
Quebec	77.1	82.7
Ontario	72.1	75.4
Manitoba	78.6	78.6
Saskatchewan	81.3	79.5
Alberta	81.9	83.1
British Columbia	81.2	80.9

.. Figures not available.
... Figures not applicable.
- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	May 1962	April 1962	May 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				April 1962	May 1961	January to May		12 months ending May	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,110	3,891	..	..	..	4,143*	..	4,090*
Initial and renewal claims filed	138	181	162	- 24	- 15	1,071	1,210	2,322	2,700
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	264	564	341	...	- 23	587*	722*	431*	528*
Regular	264	373	341	- 29	- 23				
SB	...	191	...	...	...	
SB Fishing	...	13	...	...	...	
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	430	556	564	- 23	-24	555*	698*	357*	444*
Weeks compensated	1,893	2,114	2,479	- 10	- 24	11,532	14,496	17,771	22,260
Benefit paid	\$ 45,409	51,647	58,704	- 12	- 23	281,671	347,081	428,561	523,169

Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.99	24.43	23.68	- 2	+ 1	24.43	23.94	24.12	23.50
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - April	4,109,600	3,545,100	564,500(1)
March	4,194,000	3,506,500	687,500(1)
February	4,092,000	3,373,300	718,700(1)
January	4,208,000	3,509,500	698,500(1)
1961 - December	4,196,000	3,594,800	601,200(1)
November	4,081,000	3,695,000	386,000(1)
October	3,991,000	3,722,300	268,700
September	3,966,000	3,736,800	229,200
October	3,987,000	3,757,700	229,300
July	3,971,000	3,715,700	255,300
June	3,943,000	3,676,100	266,900
May	3,891,000	3,550,000	341,000
April	4,126,000	3,412,900	713,100

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(2)

Prov.	1962 - May - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	138,439	92,945	45,494	162,059	109,152	52,907
Nfld.	4,317	3,670	647	4,008	3,549	459
P.E.I.	489	381	108	584	475	109
N.S.	8,633	4,421	4,212	6,778	4,859	1,919
N.B.	5,599	4,207	1,392	6,177	4,932	1,245
Que.	42,381	29,105	13,276	50,434	34,699	15,735
Ont.	44,689	29,091	15,598	57,779	36,329	21,450
Man.	5,685	4,076	1,609	6,023	4,427	1,596
Sask.	2,836	2,146	690	3,287	2,553	734
Alta.	7,287	5,147	2,140	8,519	5,716	2,803
B.C.	16,523	10,701	5,822	18,470	11,613	6,857

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants.

(2) In addition, revised claims received numbered 56,283.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	May 31 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	May 31, 1962									
CANADA -	263,862	61,494	24,375	41,756	34,320	27,611	22,339	51,967	36.2	340,950
MALE	181,219	42,727	16,408	30,449	25,218	19,639	14,444	32,334	41.1	242,648
FEMALE	82,643	18,767	7,967	11,307	9,102	7,972	7,895	19,633	25.6	98,302
Nfld.	9,885	1,092	642	1,467	1,422	1,804	1,298	2,160	74.9	9,982
Male	8,781	937	560	1,351	1,305	1,674	1,151	1,803	76.7	8,936
Female	1,104	155	82	116	117	130	147	357	61.0	1,046
P.E.I.	919	130	74	147	92	107	123	246	56.4	1,171
Male	607	73	55	103	61	80	82	153	61.0	838
Female	312	57	19	44	31	27	41	93	47.4	333
N.S.	14,736	3,904	892	2,342	1,539	1,330	1,314	3,415	42.9	15,683
Male	11,874	3,425	678	1,924	1,169	1,041	1,007	2,630	42.6	12,583
Female	2,862	479	214	418	370	289	307	785	44.0	3,100
N.B.	12,386	1,840	905	2,463	1,972	1,365	1,191	2,650	60.4	14,859
Male	9,711	1,475	693	2,165	1,693	1,132	898	1,655	63.4	12,074
Female	2,675	365	212	298	279	233	293	995	49.4	2,785
Que.	80,528	19,356	7,887	12,626	11,539	9,014	6,096	14,010	36.9	106,536
Male	57,346	12,932	5,381	9,299	9,137	7,230	4,428	8,939	41.9	77,061
Female	23,182	6,424	2,506	3,327	2,402	1,784	1,668	5,071	24.4	29,475
Ont.	79,848	20,409	7,949	11,648	9,323	7,366	6,680	16,473	21.9	114,757
Male	48,923	13,218	4,762	7,284	5,979	4,315	3,754	9,611	24.0	76,768
Female	30,925	7,191	3,187	4,364	3,344	3,051	2,926	6,862	18.6	37,989
Man.	12,570	2,468	1,145	1,868	1,815	1,590	1,120	2,564	29.1	13,692
Male	8,522	1,787	807	1,305	1,213	1,025	707	1,678	34.7	9,374
Female	4,048	681	338	563	602	565	413	886	17.3	4,318
Sask.	6,669	1,157	583	1,013	756	722	784	1,654	48.2	7,629
Male	4,179	700	372	729	492	461	461	964	55.7	5,046
Female	2,490	457	211	284	264	261	323	690	35.9	2,583
Alta.	15,966	3,619	1,412	3,017	2,202	1,768	1,343	2,605	66.5	18,753
Male	11,199	2,658	1,077	2,357	1,599	1,183	814	1,511	71.6	13,451
Female	4,767	961	335	660	603	585	529	1,094	54.3	5,302
B.C.	30,355	7,519	2,886	5,165	3,660	2,545	2,390	6,190	30.1	37,888
Male	20,077	5,522	2,023	3,932	2,570	1,498	1,142	3,390	34.8	26,517
Female	10,278	1,997	863	1,233	1,090	1,047	1,248	2,800	20.9	11,371

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month. (1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>May - 1962</u>							
Canada -	153,463	75,727	44,099	28,335	5,302	22,160	9,224
Nfld.	5,038	3,098	647	1,191	102	733	153
P.E.I.	649	426	103	107	13	46	26
N.S.	9,648	4,402	4,121	952	173	857	328
N.B.	6,772	4,324	1,352	936	160	783	301
Que.	46,464	24,182	12,925	7,931	1,426	7,630	2,950
Ont.	48,548	22,212	15,160	9,184	1,992	7,472	3,042
Man.	6,476	3,415	1,592	1,254	215	758	472
Sask.	3,650	2,182	733	629	106	341	137
Alta.	8,277	4,064	2,017	1,892	304	1,207	559
B.C.	17,941	7,422	5,449	4,259	811	2,333	1,256
<u>May - 1961</u>							
Canada -	172,745	90,307	50,316	27,238	4,884	24,236	9,973
Nfld.	4,992	3,430	486	946	130	770	89
P.E.I.	714	513	111	81	9	65	21
N.S.	8,256	5,354	1,795	958	149	938	320
N.B.	7,161	4,646	1,215	1,062	238	885	245
Que.	53,771	30,075	15,374	7,139	1,183	8,886	3,202
Ont.	59,147	27,218	19,782	10,184	1,963	8,437	4,051
Man.	6,504	3,664	1,534	1,123	183	482	325
Sask.	3,857	2,388	738	625	106	423	140
Alta.	9,134	4,334	2,803	1,746	251	1,001	499
B.C.	19,209	8,685	6,478	3,374	672	2,349	1,081

(1) In addition 66,972 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 4,802 were special requests not granted and 2,507 were appeals by claimants. There were 10,805 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during May, 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962(1) 1961	15,057 16,428	637 479	37 35	425 510	503 641	4,282 4,075	4,495 6,370	628 683	267 281	1,040 1,128	2,743 2,226
Claimants disqualified	1962 1961	38,915 31,305	971 869	158 135	1,403 1,105	1,205 1,135	12,589 10,291	13,462 11,049	1,631 1,164	1,003 795	2,320 1,604	4,173 3,158
Not unemployed	1962 1961	815 747	15 30	1 7	35 34	41 31	273 227	215 244	34 24	41 37	80 52	80 61
Not capable of and not available for work	1962 1961	14,412 9,520	164 122	48 32	439 308	327 226	4,424 2,989	5,420 3,737	801 388	438 248	896 444	1,455 1,026
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962 1961	944 357	- -	- -	2 17	- 177	547 61	378 70	6 -	1 32	6 -	4 -
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962 1961	2,593 2,380	19 12	25 29	118 109	96 79	911 830	956 848	76 95	63 82	160 116	169 180
Discharged for misconduct	1962 1961	1,372 1,285	32 26	7 3	49 52	46 23	486 467	492 472	39 48	17 20	68 62	136 112
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962 1961	8,243 6,967	154 131	36 21	239 217	242 204	2,358 2,031	2,744 2,337	384 396	243 231	613 571	1,230 828
Other reasons	1962 1961	10,536 10,049	587 548	41 43	521 368	453 395	3,590 3,686	3,257 3,341	291 213	200 145	497 359	1,099 951
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during May	1962	3,798	171	19	128	203	1,436	1,038	90	50	161	502

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - May - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	430.3	563.5
Newfoundland	29.1	26.9
Prince Edward Island	4.1	4.1
Nova Scotia	26.3	29.9
New Brunswick	26.5	34.1
Quebec	127.7	177.5
Ontario	118.2	169.8
Manitoba	21.6	25.1
Saskatchewan	13.6	15.3
Alberta	22.8	28.2
British Columbia	40.5	52.5

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - May - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	1,893,197	45,409,414	2,479,275	58,704,099
Nfld.	127,897	3,071,856	118,341	3,050,684
P.E.I.	17,885	376,880	18,246	398,265
N.S.	115,516	2,585,089	131,580	2,944,140
N.B.	116,721	2,639,396	149,984	3,442,333
Que.	561,843	13,629,311	781,070	18,322,431
Ont.	519,967	12,375,878	747,099	17,625,363
Man.	95,040	2,326,745	110,483	2,573,238
Sask.	60,002	1,446,127	67,495	1,594,477
Alta.	100,224	2,578,348	123,953	3,094,541
B.C.	178,102	4,379,784	231,024	5,658,627

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

May - 1962

Canada -	1,742,194	151,003	115,697
Newfoundland	119,854	8,043	5,516
Prince Edward Island	16,541	1,344	1,044
Nova Scotia	102,697	12,819	10,661
New Brunswick	106,165	10,556	7,775
Quebec	520,256	41,587	30,422
Ontario	476,556	43,411	33,255
Manitoba	87,139	7,901	6,152
Saskatchewan	55,232	4,770	3,790
Alberta	92,113	8,111	6,132
British Columbia	165,641	12,461	10,950

May - 1961

Canada -	2,303,535	175,740	132,361
Newfoundland	111,451	6,890	5,174
Prince Edward Island	17,149	1,097	750
Nova Scotia	117,415	14,165	11,898
New Brunswick	139,559	10,425	7,348
Quebec	732,706	48,364	34,798
Ontario	693,774	53,325	40,506
Manitoba	102,627	7,856	6,077
Saskatchewan	62,804	4,691	3,717
Alberta	114,679	9,274	6,872
British Columbia	211,371	19,653	15,221

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$23.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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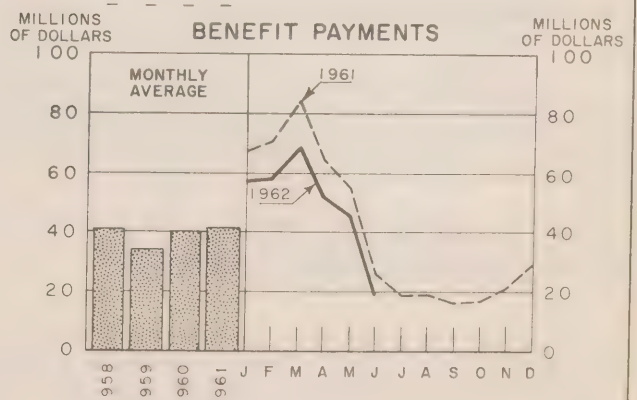
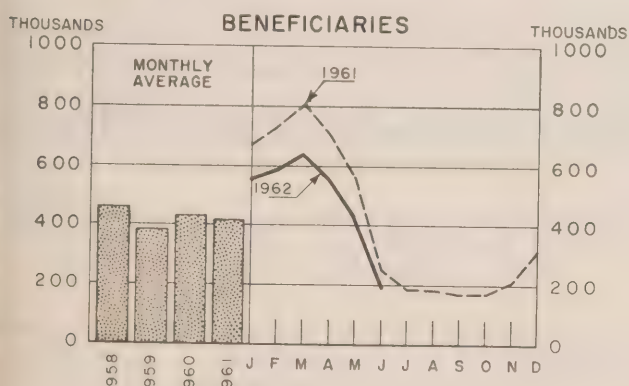
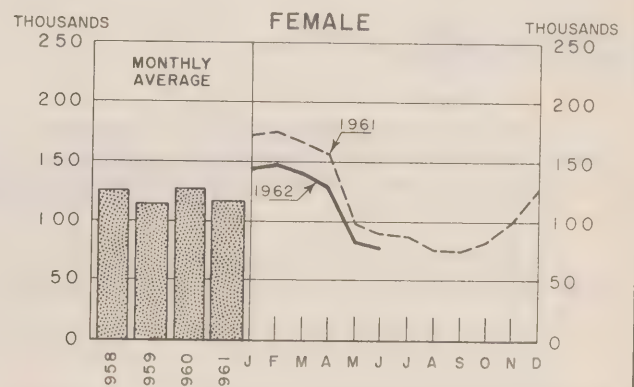
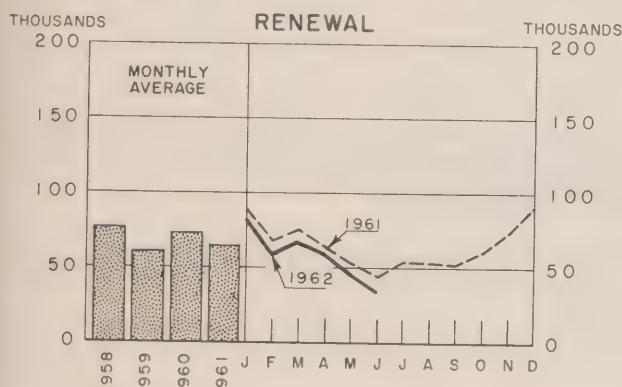
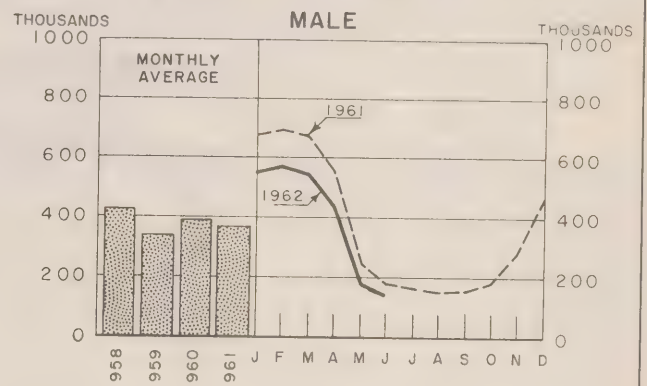
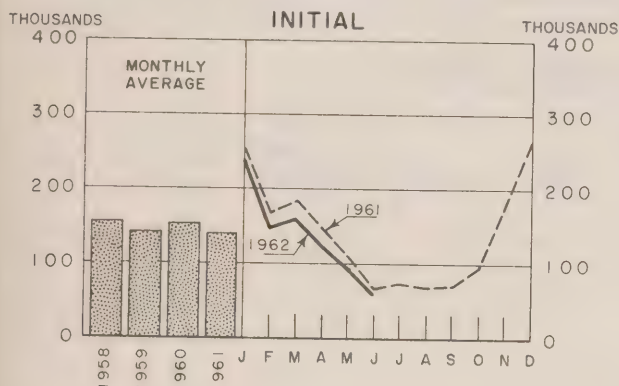
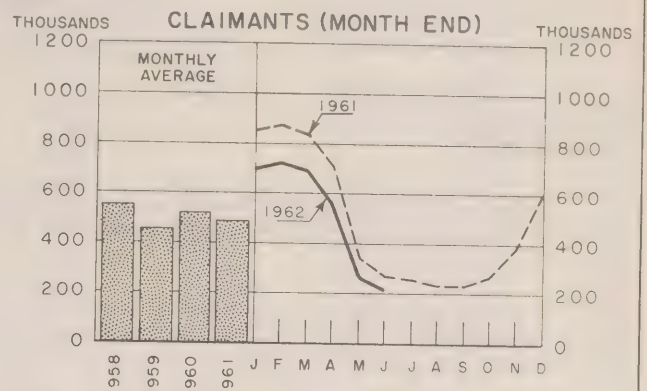
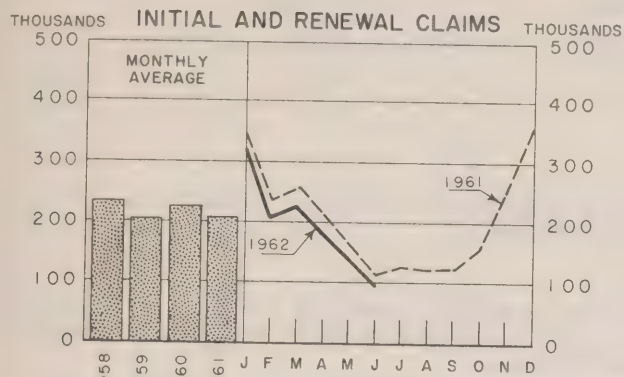
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For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

June, 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for regular benefit at the end of June numbered 214,300, down 49,600 from the May total of 263,900 and 52,600 from the June 1961 total of 266,900.

The distribution of persons on continuous claim on June 29 by weeks on claim, overall was little changed from the distribution at June 30, 1961. The proportion of males on claim 13 weeks or more however was slightly lower as shown in the following table:

Per cent distribution of regular claimants

	<u>June 29, 1962</u>			<u>June 30, 1961</u>		
	<u>Both sexes</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Both sexes</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100
Less than 5 weeks	38	40	36	36	37	34
5-12 weeks	27	27	26	26	26	26
13 weeks or over	35	33	38	38	37	40

Initial and renewal claims: receipt and disposal

A total of 93,500 initial and renewal claims were filed during June, down 45,000 from May and about 19,400 fewer than in June 1961. The June initial claims totalling 59,200 included 8,500 on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits.

Of about 97,700 claims processed during June, 33 per cent were considered as not entitled to benefit compared with 22 per cent in this category in the previous month.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 190,000 for June, compared with 430,000 for May and 249,600 for June 1961. Benefit payments amounted to \$18.7 million during June as against \$45.4 million for May and \$25.9 million for June 1961. The average benefit payment per week compensated was \$23.45 for June, \$23.99 for May and \$23.57 for June 1961.

Claims and benefit payments by province

Reductions in the claimants on file at the end of June compared with the end of May were common to all provinces. The following provinces exhibited reductions of 25 per cent or more: Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and Alberta. All provinces except Newfoundland also experienced year over year decreases in claimants on file.

Percentage change in month-end claimant count

	May 31 to June 29, 1962			June 30 1961 to June 29, 1962			May 31 to June 30, 1961		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 19	- 25	- 6	- 20	- 23	- 13	- 22	- 27	- 9
Nfld.	- 32	- 36	- 5	+ 4	+ 4	+ 5	- 36	- 39	- 5
P.E.I.	- 18	- 23	- 9	- 7	- 10	- 3	- 31	- 38	- 12
N.S.	- 31	- 36	- 9	- 21	- 26	-	- 18	- 19	- 16
N.B.	- 31	- 36	- 11	- 11	- 11	- 10	- 35	- 42	- 5
Que.	- 18	- 24	- 3	- 20	- 21	- 19	- 22	- 29	- 6
Ont.	- 11	- 16	- 2	- 24	- 31	- 13	- 18	- 23	- 8
Man.	- 21	- 28	- 8	- 8	- 7	- 8	- 22	- 29	- 6
Sask.	- 25	- 32	- 14	- 11	- 14	- 7	- 26	- 34	- 10
Alta.	- 25	- 29	- 15	- 2	- 2	- 2	- 35	- 40	- 22
B.C.	- 21	- 24	- 14	- 25	- 31	- 12	- 15	- 17	- 12

The June intake of claims was substantially below the May volume in all provinces. In comparison with last year decreases were also registered although of smaller magnitude.

Percentage change in claims filed

	May to June 1962			June 1961 to June 1962			May to June 1961		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 32	- 36	- 25	- 17	- 13	- 24	- 30	- 38	- 15
Nfld.	- 61	- 64	- 40	-	- 1	+ 1	- 57	- 63	- 16
P.E.I.	- 53	- 61	- 25	- 2	- 4	+ 1	- 60	- 67	- 27
N.S.	- 55	- 48	- 62	- 30	- 21	- 41	- 17	- 40	+ 42
N.B.	- 48	- 56	- 27	- 3	- 5	+ 1	- 52	- 60	+ 19
Que.	- 30	- 34	- 21	- 15	- 10	- 23	- 31	- 39	- 14
Ont.	- 23	- 27	- 15	- 18	- 15	- 22	- 27	- 31	- 21
Man.	- 38	- 42	- 26	-	+ 2	- 5	- 41	- 48	- 21
Sask.	- 43	- 49	- 24	- 18	- 16	- 22	- 40	- 49	- 9
Alta.	- 38	- 43	- 28	- 3	+ 3	- 13	- 46	- 50	- 37
B.C.	- 33	- 36	- 28	- 28	- 23	- 35	- 17	- 23	- 5

Industrial classification of persons filing(1) initial claims
for unemployment insurance during May, 1962

The number of "current" initial claims filed by persons separating from insured employment dropped by 10,900 from April to 57,500 in May. The drop in numbers held for each province.

Manufacturing accounted for 34 per cent of new separations in May compared to 29 per cent in April. Trade and Service combined comprised 32 per cent compared to 24 per cent in the previous month.

In all provinces logging was a less important source of new cases in May than in April. In Newfoundland this industry accounted for 11 per cent of May cases compared to 34 per cent in April and in British Columbia the reduction was from 16 in April to 3 per cent in May.

Separations from trade as a percentage of total separations increased in May over April in all provinces. In Quebec claims emanating from this industry amounted to 14 per cent of the total compared to 9 per cent in the previous month.

(1) Data cover new cases only, i.e. they exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits. Such exclusions account for approximately 40 per cent of the initial claims filed in May.

INDUSTRY OF PERSONS FILING CURRENT INITIAL CLAIMS IN MAY, 1962

Percentage distribution of claims within provinces

<u>Industry Group</u>	<u>Canada</u>	<u>Nfld.</u>	<u>P.E.I.</u>	<u>N.S.</u>	<u>N.B.</u>	<u>Que.</u>	<u>Ont.</u>	<u>Man.</u>	<u>Sask.</u>	<u>Alta.</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
Forestry (mainly logging)	2 (9)	11 (34)	- (2)	2 (5)	7 (13)	2 (8)	2 (7)	1 (4)	1 (5)	3 (7)	3 (16)
Fishing and trapping	a (-)	1 (-)	- (1)	1 (-)	a (-)	- (-)	- (-)	a (2)	- (-)	- (-)	a (-)
Mining	4 (6)	3 (4)	- (-)	28 (39)	9 (4)	2 (3)	1 (1)	4 (3)	5 (11)	16 (21)	2 (2)
Manufacturing	34 (29)	11 (10)	12 (22)	18 (18)	22 (17)	45 (37)	39 (32)	25 (22)	12 (17)	13 (11)	22 (33)
Construction	11 (12)	12 (12)	6 (18)	5 (6)	7 (7)	11 (15)	10 (11)	11 (19)	10 (12)	16 (15)	13 (9)
Transp., commun., and other utilities	7 (11)	10 (7)	15 (16)	14 (18)	18 (31)	5 (9)	7 (11)	11 (11)	12 (11)	6 (8)	9 (6)
Trade	17 (13)	21 (17)	30 (19)	15 (7)	16 (14)	14 (9)	18 (17)	22 (16)	26 (16)	21 (17)	19 (11)
Service	15 (11)	12 (7)	21 (10)	8 (4)	9 (6)	13 (11)	15 (12)	16 (13)	20 (19)	15 (11)	21 (12)
Public admin. and defence	6 (5)	17 (8)	12 (11)	8 (3)	8 (6)	5 (4)	4 (4)	6 (8)	10 (7)	5 (7)	7 (6)
Other	3 (3)	3 (1)	5 (3)	2 (1)	3 (2)	3 (4)	3 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (3)	4 (5)
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Number of cases ('000)	57.5 (68.4)	1.1 (1.5)	b (0.2)	2.6 (3.6)	1.7 (2.9)	17.4 (20.3)	20.5 (21.2)	2.4 (3.0)	1.2 (1.9)	3.5 (5.6)	6.9 (8.1)

a - Less than one-half of 1 p.c.

b - Less than 500.

Figures in parentheses show the distribution during April.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	June 1962	May 1962	June 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				May 1962	June 1961	January to June		12 months ending June	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	3,895	3,896	..	..	..	4,123*	..	4,091*
Initial and renewal claims filed	93	138	113	- 32	- 17	1,165	1,323	2,303	2,684
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	214	264	267	- 19	- 20	525*	646*	426*	525*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	190	430	250	- 56	- 24	494*	623*	352*	442*
Weeks compensated	798	1,893	1,098	- 58	- 27	12,330	15,594	17,471	22,144
Benefit paid	\$ 18,709	45,409	25,890	- 59	- 28	300,380	372,972	421,379	522,217

Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.45	23.99	23.57	- 2	- 1	24.36	23.92	24.12	23.58
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.
(Revised) (1)

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - May	3,895,000	3,631,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200
November	4,023,000	3,637,000	386,000
October	3,940,000	3,671,300	268,700
September	3,913,000	3,683,800	229,200
August	3,939,000	3,709,700	229,300
July	3,918,000	3,662,700	255,300
June	3,896,000	3,629,100	266,900
May	4,021,360	3,505,820	515,540(2)

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province(3).

Prov.	1962 - June - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	93,484	59,216	34,268	112,845	67,970	44,875
Nfld.	1,701	1,314	387	1,708	1,323	385
P.E.I.	231	150	81	236	156	80
N.S.	3,927	2,319	1,608	5,649	2,920	2,729
N.B.	2,895	1,872	1,023	2,978	1,969	1,009
Que.	29,495	19,070	10,425	34,837	21,284	13,553
Ont.	34,497	21,228	13,269	41,900	24,954	16,946
Man.	3,544	2,347	1,197	3,550	2,291	1,259
Sask.	1,618	1,096	522	1,980	1,310	670
Alta.	4,489	2,952	1,537	4,635	2,878	1,757
B.C.	11,087	6,868	4,219	15,372	8,885	6,487

(1) Revised on the basis of June 1, 1961 book renewal.

(2) The number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal. For other months, the claimants are as shown in Table 3.

(3) In addition, revised claims received numbered 36,994.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	June 30 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	June 29, 1962									
CANADA -	214,311	59,320	22,760	31,252	25,519	18,872	13,380	43,208	31.2	266,876
MALE	136,524	39,660	14,712	19,524	16,932	12,311	8,001	25,384	34.3	177,195
FEMALE	77,787	19,660	8,048	11,728	8,587	6,561	5,379	17,824	25.6	89,681
Altd.	6,678	984	454	778	857	761	895	1,949	71.2	6,427
Male	5,633	817	346	684	755	661	786	1,584	72.5	5,435
Female	1,045	167	108	94	102	100	109	365	63.8	992
E.I.	749	160	61	111	92	63	54	208	52.9	808
Male	466	100	41	73	59	40	37	116	56.2	516
Female	283	60	20	38	33	23	17	92	47.3	292
S.	10,181	2,158	886	1,287	1,649	863	629	2,709	41.3	12,842
Male	7,582	1,659	663	911	1,281	642	442	1,984	41.4	10,242
Female	2,599	499	223	376	368	221	187	725	41.1	2,600
B.	8,568	1,803	746	1,223	1,600	942	538	1,716	50.0	9,625
Male	6,185	1,298	556	879	1,348	738	364	1,002	51.9	6,980
Female	2,383	505	190	344	252	204	174	714	44.9	2,645
ue.	66,079	19,750	7,303	10,360	7,610	6,114	3,846	11,096	29.5	82,611
Male	43,579	13,100	4,928	6,738	5,186	4,415	2,564	6,648	32.4	54,861
Female	22,500	6,650	2,375	3,622	2,424	1,699	1,282	4,448	23.9	27,750
nt.	71,161	22,199	8,067	10,054	7,228	5,368	4,056	14,189	20.6	93,959
Male	40,914	14,140	4,667	5,440	3,948	2,889	2,017	7,813	20.9	59,060
Female	30,247	8,059	3,400	4,614	3,280	2,479	2,039	6,376	20.1	34,899
an.	9,890	2,473	936	1,413	1,175	1,026	699	2,168	23.8	10,695
Male	6,168	1,664	574	873	748	582	395	1,332	27.9	6,647
Female	3,722	809	362	540	427	444	304	836	16.9	4,048
ask.	5,010	962	427	759	644	428	400	1,390	43.7	5,652
Male	2,861	585	235	433	403	250	206	749	49.6	3,336
Female	2,149	377	192	326	241	178	194	641	35.8	2,316
lta.	11,983	2,824	1,343	1,682	1,786	1,272	903	2,173	66.0	12,219
Male	7,928	1,969	958	1,169	1,263	863	514	1,192	72.0	8,081
Female	4,055	855	385	513	523	409	389	981	54.3	4,138
C.	24,012	6,007	2,537	3,585	2,878	2,035	1,360	5,610	27.4	32,038
Male	15,208	4,328	1,744	2,324	1,941	1,231	676	2,964	30.5	22,037
Female	8,804	1,679	793	1,261	937	804	684	2,646	22.0	10,001

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month(1).

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>June - 1962</u>							
Canada -	97,652	35,299	30,482	27,513	4,358	18,564	8,652
Nfld.	2,024	716	346	896	66	435	128
P.E.I.	249	90	83	63	13	43	11
N.S.	4,145	1,558	1,466	960	161	658	309
N.B.	3,073	1,157	872	928	116	570	336
Que.	29,905	11,201	9,197	8,300	1,207	7,199	2,971
Ont.	35,496	12,741	11,553	9,484	1,718	6,475	3,040
Man.	3,934	1,452	1,115	1,215	152	438	402
Sask.	1,671	613	434	530	94	294	131
Alta.	4,915	1,788	1,505	1,421	201	950	390
B.C.	12,240	3,983	3,911	3,716	630	1,502	934

June - 1961

Canada -	118,433	43,577	41,038	29,775	4,043	18,854	9,767
Nfld.	2,130	843	285	930	72	320	117
P.E.I.	253	96	69	77	11	48	21
N.S.	5,680	1,851	2,580	1,063	186	944	283
N.B.	3,484	1,477	951	933	123	444	180
Que.	37,556	14,514	12,793	9,208	1,041	6,448	2,921
Ont.	43,258	15,448	15,227	10,930	1,653	7,013	4,117
Man.	3,681	1,503	1,071	984	123	286	390
Sask.	2,105	822	591	609	83	302	136
Alta.	4,975	1,853	1,591	1,356	175	670	490
B.C.	15,311	5,170	5,880	3,685	576	2,379	1,112

(1) In addition 38,432 revised claims were disposed of. Of these 3,959 were special requests not granted and 2,400 were appeals by claimants. There were 9,367 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during June, 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962(1)	16,650	586	36	582	630	5,193	5,200	729	297	881	2,516
	1961	20,150	594	37	720	640	6,356	7,341	627	342	816	2,677
Claimants disqualified	1962	29,693	629	90	986	835	9,594	11,046	1,202	604	1,539	3,168
	1961	27,303	663	92	901	823	8,985	10,119	930	678	1,297	2,815
Not unemployed	1962	648	41	5	52	40	159	170	29	28	38	86
	1961	950	43	5	67	49	187	430	26	31	40	72
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	10,551	125	30	272	226	3,231	4,188	548	254	573	1,104
	1961	8,457	113	18	243	184	2,720	3,294	341	215	422	907
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	1,034	-	-	11	-	441	537	20	23	-	2
	1961	262	-	1	1	10	122	81	-	44	-	3
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	2,061	9	7	102	68	741	776	69	32	126	131
	1961	1,871	10	7	58	49	660	699	83	62	105	138
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,243	30	5	57	37	384	493	25	15	55	142
	1961	1,137	15	5	35	34	401	453	29	29	53	83
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	6,820	122	13	203	185	2,132	2,363	311	152	387	952
	1961	6,655	131	31	192	185	2,011	2,302	316	196	458	833
Other reasons	1962	7,336	302	30	289	279	2,506	2,519	200	100	360	751
	1961	7,971	351	25	305	312	2,884	2,860	135	101	219	779

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during June, 1962

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - June - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	190.0	249.6
Newfoundland	10.7	7.8
Prince Edward Island	1.1	1.2
Nova Scotia	12.4	12.4
New Brunswick	11.3	11.9
Quebec	53.3	73.9
Ontario	56.5	86.0
Manitoba	9.6	10.6
Saskatchewan	4.9	6.1
Alberta	9.8	13.5
British Columbia	20.5	26.2

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - June - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	797,975	18,709,179	1,098,256	25,890,434
Nfld.	44,817	1,084,072	34,528	922,542
P.E.I.	4,742	96,095	5,344	113,215
N.S.	52,097	1,141,473	54,598	1,279,394
N.B.	47,385	1,054,061	52,531	1,201,301
Que.	223,681	5,294,939	325,174	7,573,391
Ont.	237,274	5,493,980	378,193	8,872,112
Man.	40,282	951,475	46,603	1,083,403
Sask.	20,488	478,022	26,778	601,754
Alta.	41,300	1,034,074	59,370	1,432,708
B.C.	85,909	2,080,988	115,137	2,810,614

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings
<u>June - 1962</u>			
Canada -	718,023	79,952	61,525
Newfoundland	40,330	4,487	3,466
Prince Edward Island	4,271	471	380
Nova Scotia	44,847	7,250	6,157
New Brunswick	41,293	6,092	4,806
Quebec	202,337	21,344	15,229
Ontario	214,976	22,298	16,544
Manitoba	36,036	4,246	3,439
Saskatchewan	18,533	1,955	1,540
Alberta	37,213	4,087	3,199
British Columbia	78,187	7,722	6,765
<u>June - 1961</u>			
Canada -	991,835	106,421	81,357
Newfoundland	30,953	3,575	2,970
Prince Edward Island	4,849	495	406
Nova Scotia	45,916	8,682	7,360
New Brunswick	45,066	7,465	6,091
Quebec	298,134	27,040	19,367
Ontario	344,182	34,011	25,595
Manitoba	42,267	4,336	3,422
Saskatchewan	24,399	2,379	1,877
Alberta	53,439	5,931	4,556
British Columbia	102,630	12,507	9,713

SEASONAL BENEFIT

The number of initial claims considered under the seasonal benefit provisions dropped by 84,100 from the 1960-61 period to 518,700 in 1961-62. A higher percentage of the 1961-62 claims were from the Atlantic, Prairie and British Columbia areas. Relatively more were considered in December and in March. The variation month-by month in the numbers considered was more marked than the overall Canadian figure for the Atlantic area and for British Columbia. (Table 1).

The proportion of initial claims considered for seasonal benefit was little changed between 1960-61 and 1961-62. The Atlantic provinces, Saskatchewan and British Columbia had higher proportions than the period percentage. Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick had higher proportions than the overall percentage in all months of the seasonal benefit period. (Table II).

The number of claims established dropped by 77,600 from the 1960-61 period to 390,900 in 1961-62. Fishing claims as a percentage of all claims rose from 6.4 p.c. to 7.5 p.c., reflecting the greater relative drop in non-fishing claims. The proportion of fishing claims was 15.1 p.c. in December and 12.1 p.c. in January. (Table III).

Fishing claims comprised 38.2, 33.9, 24.1 and 14.0 p.c. of all claims established in the four Atlantic provinces and 12.7 p.c. in British Columbia. (Table IV).

The distribution of the month-end active claimants averaged 68.4 p.c. non-fishing males; 11.9 p.c. fishing males; 19.6 p.c. non-fishing females; and 0.1 p.c. fishing females. The peak for non-fishing claimants was at March 30 and for fishing claimants at February 28. (Table V).

The count of active claimants at December 29, 1961 was 39.8 p.c. below the period average; at January 31, some 3.3 p.c. below; at February 28, some 15.0 p.c. above; at March 30, some 22.1 p.c. above; and at April 30, some 6.1 p.c. above. The variation around the provincial averages from month-to-month was least for the Atlantic provinces and British Columbia. This is associated with a higher proportion of claimants in these areas in December. (Table VI).

The Atlantic provinces for all months and British Columbia for all but one month had higher proportions of total claimants who were seasonal than the overall percentage. (Table VII).

The month-end active claimants at December 30 were 57.6 p.c. of the period average for non-fishing (79.5 p.c. for fishing). The figures for the end of January, February, March and April were: 93.3 (121.9); 113.2 (128.4); 123.9 (109.3); and 112.1 (61.9) p.c. respectively. (Table VIII).

Table I - (S.B.) Initial Claims Considered* under the Seasonal Benefit Provisions 1961-62 and 1960-61 Periods, by Province.

Seasonal Benefit Period and Month	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
	in thousands										
<u>1961-62 Period</u>											
December(1)	518.7	32.2	6.5	29.7	34.3	154.4	136.0	24.1	17.9	25.0	58.8
January	157.5	12.5	2.8	9.2	10.7	39.9	39.1	7.0	5.1	6.7	24.5
February	113.3	8.1	1.5	8.8	7.8	33.5	29.5	4.3	3.6	5.0	11.3
March	66.2	2.6	0.5	3.1	4.1	21.9	18.6	3.0	2.3	3.4	6.5
April	74.6	3.1	0.6	3.3	4.6	24.5	20.1	4.2	3.0	4.3	7.0
May	64.5	3.1	0.7	3.2	4.4	20.5	17.2	3.4	2.4	3.7	5.8
	42.6	2.6	0.4	2.0	2.7	14.1	11.6	2.1	1.5	1.9	3.8
<u>1960-61 Period</u>											
December	602.8	34.7	6.9	32.2	38.1	193.2	160.4	24.5	18.7	28.1	66.0
January	188.6	15.7	3.2	10.1	12.0	52.0	49.2	6.6	5.5	7.7	26.7
February	116.0	5.9	1.3	8.5	7.8	38.2	30.4	4.3	3.3	5.0	11.2
March	76.9	3.0	0.5	3.6	4.4	27.0	21.4	3.4	2.2	3.9	7.6
April	85.4	3.3	0.7	3.2	5.0	29.6	23.2	4.4	3.2	4.4	8.3
May	85.7	3.7	0.8	4.4	5.7	27.9	24.1	3.7	3.0	5.0	7.5
	50.1	3.0	0.4	2.4	3.2	18.4	12.1	2.1	1.6	2.1	4.8

(1) Includes cases processed during November but excludes residual cases processed after May 31.

Table II - (S.B.) Initial Claims Considered under the Seasonal Benefit Provisions as a Percentage of Initial Claims Processed, 1961-62 and 1960-61 Periods.

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Table III - (S.B.) Number of Claims Established(1) under the Seasonal Benefit Provisions, by Month, 1961-62 and 1960-61 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Total for the period	December(2)	January	February	March	April	May(2)
in thousands							
1961-62 Period							
Total	390.9	111.6	81.1	50.9	62.5	51.2	33.6
Non-fishing	361.5	94.8	71.4	49.3	61.5	50.9	33.6
Fishing	29.5	16.8	9.8	1.6	1.0	0.3	-
1960-61 Period							
Total	468.5	136.2	84.7	60.7	73.3	72.0	41.7
Non-fishing	438.3	116.8	76.9	59.1	72.3	71.7	41.7
Fishing	30.2	19.4	7.8	1.6	1.0	0.3	-

(1) The contribution requirement of 15 weeks since the preceding March 31 was proven or a regular benefit period had terminated since the Saturday following the week in which May 15 occurred.

(2) Includes cases processed during November but excludes residual cases processed after May 31.

Table IV - (S.B.) Number of Claims Established under the Seasonal Benefit Provisions, by Province, 1961-62 and 1960-61 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
in thousands											
1961-62 Period											
Total	390.9	26.7	5.6	24.5	27.8	114.9	100.7	18.8	14.1	18.4	39.4
Non-fishing	361.5	16.5	3.8	18.5	23.9	113.8	99.9	18.2	14.1	18.4	34.5
Fishing	29.5	10.2	1.9	5.9	3.9	1.2	0.8	0.6	-	-	5.0
1960-61 Period											
Total	468.5	28.9	6.2	26.9	31.2	150.0	123.4	19.2	14.9	20.9	47.0
Non-fishing	438.3	18.5	4.2	20.7	27.1	148.7	122.7	18.6	14.8	20.8	42.1
Fishing	30.2	10.4	2.0	6.1	4.1	1.3	0.7	0.6	-	-	4.9

Table V - (S.B.) Seasonal Benefit Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month,
1961-62 and 1960-61 periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Average for the period	December	January	February	March	April
in thousands						
<u>1961-62 Period</u>						
Total - Claimants	180.2	108.5	174.2	207.3	220.1	191.2
Male	144.7	87.0	139.7	165.6	178.0	153.3
Female	35.5	21.5	34.5	41.7	42.1	37.9
Non-fishing	158.7	91.4	148.0	179.7	196.6	177.9
Male	123.3	70.0	113.6	138.1	154.6	140.0
Female	35.4	21.4	34.4	41.5	42.0	37.9
Fishing	21.5	17.1	26.2	27.6	23.5	13.3
Male	21.4	17.0	26.1	27.5	23.4	13.3
Female	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	-
<u>1960-61 Period</u>						
Total - Claimants	220.2	134.1	205.0	249.6	265.8	246.8
Male	176.0	106.1	163.2	199.8	213.9	196.9
Female	44.3	28.0	41.8	49.7	51.9	49.9
Non-fishing	197.4	114.1	177.2	220.2	241.8	233.5
Male	153.2	86.2	135.5	170.6	190.0	183.7
Female	44.2	27.9	41.7	49.6	51.8	49.8
Fishing	22.9	20.0	27.9	29.4	23.9	13.2
Male	22.8	19.9	27.8	29.2	23.9	13.2
Female	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-

Seasonal Benefit Period	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
in thousands											
<u>1961-62 Period</u>											
Average for the Period	180.2	15.6	3.4	13.0	14.3	51.8	42.6	8.2	6.0	7.0	18.2
December 29, 1961	108.5	10.8	2.4	7.2	8.7	28.8	24.5	4.7	3.2	3.7	14.5
January 31, 1962	174.2	17.0	3.7	13.6	13.8	47.2	40.3	7.4	5.3	6.6	19.2
February 28, 1962	207.3	19.1	4.1	15.3	16.9	58.8	49.2	9.1	7.0	7.6	20.2
March 30, 1962	220.1	18.3	3.8	15.9	17.3	64.7	52.6	9.8	7.9	9.1	20.4
April 30, 1962	191.2	13.5	2.7	13.1	14.7	59.5	46.3	10.0	6.8	8.2	16.6
<u>1960-61 Period</u>											
Average for the Period	220.2	17.2	3.6	14.1	16.1	69.8	54.9	8.1	6.3	8.1	22.1
December 30, 1960	134.1	13.4	2.8	8.1	9.4	40.1	32.5	4.2	3.6	4.2	15.7
January 31, 1961	205.0	17.9	4.0	14.7	15.4	62.5	50.4	6.5	5.5	6.9	21.2
February 28, 1961	249.6	20.3	4.4	16.6	18.8	77.2	61.7	9.0	6.8	9.0	25.7
March 31, 1961	265.8	19.0	4.1	16.6	19.3	86.6	65.6	10.3	8.4	10.4	25.7
April 28, 1961	246.8	15.2	2.9	14.6	17.6	82.7	64.2	10.4	7.3	9.8	22.0

Table VII - (S.B.) Seasonal Benefit Claimants as a Percentage of Total Claimants, by Province 1961-62 and 1960-61 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.

Type of Seasonal Benefit Claimant and Month	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
	in thousands										
1961-62 Period (average):											
Non-fishing	158.7	7.8	1.9	8.7	11.4	50.9	42.2	8.0	6.0	7.0	14.8
Fishing	21.5	7.9	1.5	4.3	2.9	0.9	0.5	0.2	-	-	3.4
December:											
Non-fishing	91.4	4.4	1.1	5.1	6.4	28.1	24.2	4.7	3.2	3.7	10.6
Fishing	17.1	6.4	1.4	2.1	2.3	0.7	0.3	-	-	-	3.9
January:											
Non-fishing	148.0	7.5	1.8	8.3	10.2	46.2	39.7	7.3	5.3	6.6	15.2
Fishing	26.2	9.5	1.9	5.3	3.6	1.1	0.6	0.1	-	-	4.0
February:											
Non-fishing	179.7	9.0	2.1	9.7	12.9	57.7	48.6	9.0	7.0	7.6	16.1
Fishing	27.6	10.0	2.0	5.6	3.9	1.2	0.7	0.2	-	-	4.1
March:											
Non-fishing	196.6	9.7	2.2	10.7	14.2	63.8	52.1	9.7	7.9	9.1	17.2
Fishing	23.5	8.7	1.6	5.2	3.1	1.0	0.5	0.2	-	-	3.2
April:											
Non-fishing	177.9	8.5	2.1	9.8	13.1	58.9	46.2	9.4	6.8	8.2	14.9
Fishing	13.3	5.0	0.6	3.3	1.5	0.6	0.2	0.3	-	-	1.7

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$23.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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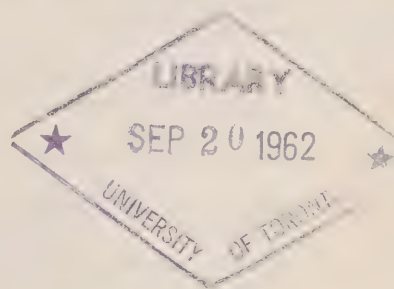


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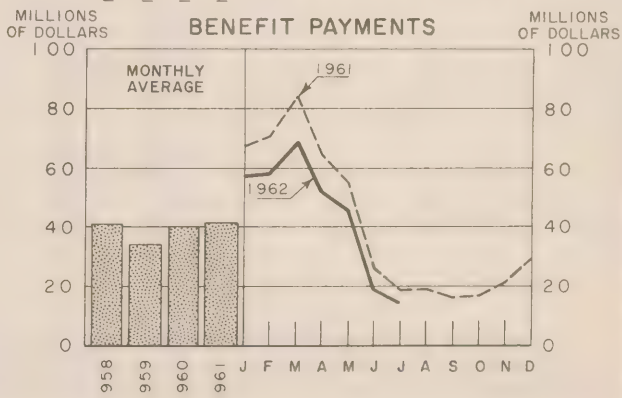
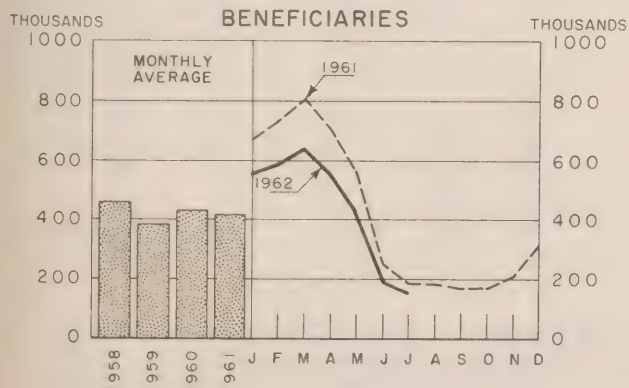
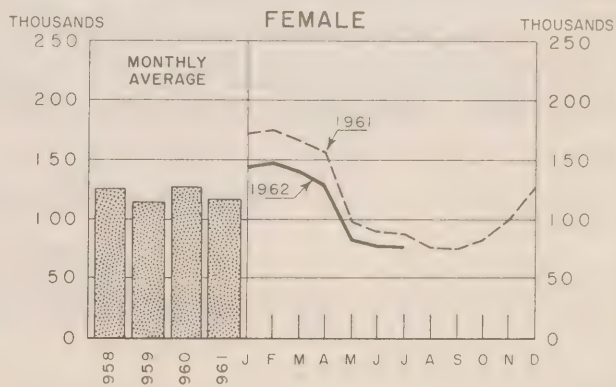
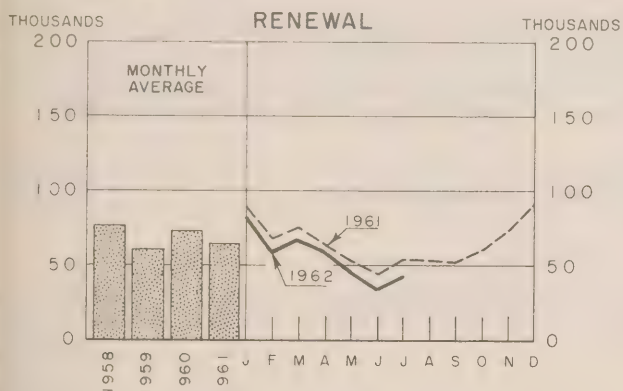
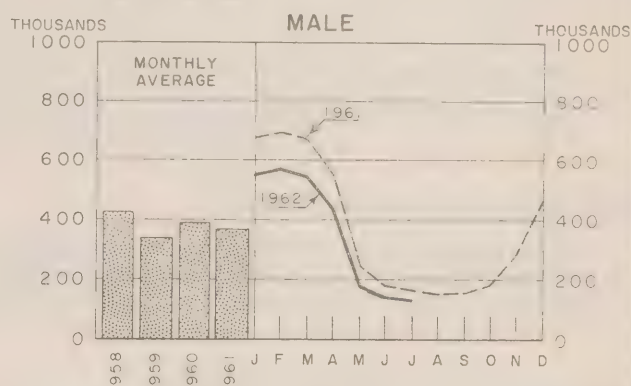
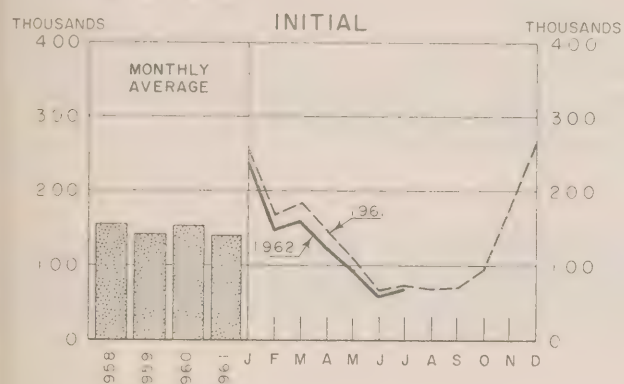
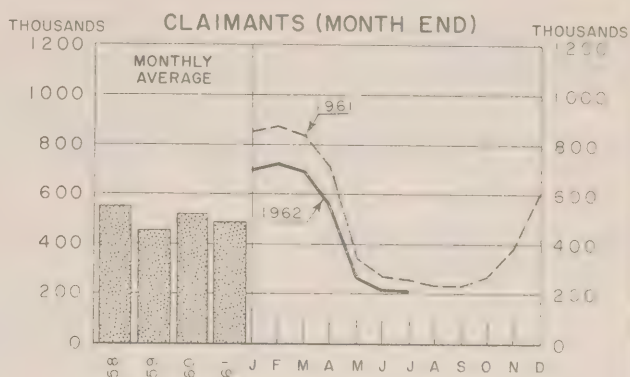
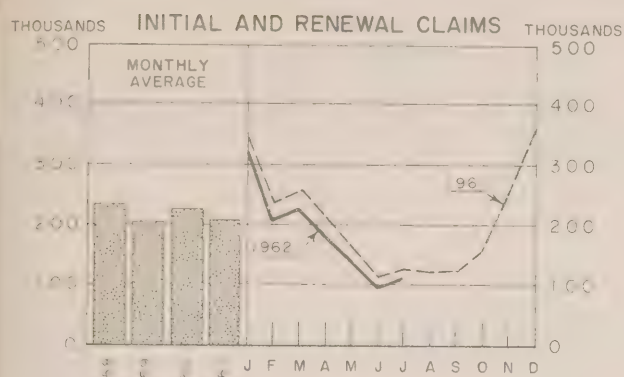
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For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

July 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on July 31 at 212,000, though virtually unchanged from the previous month, were almost 45,000 lower than a year ago. More than three-quarters of the year-over-year decline was accounted for by men.

Initial and renewal claims: receipt and disposal

A total of 112,400 initial and renewal claims were filed during July. This constitutes a 20 per cent increase over the total of 93,500 for June. A significant proportion of this increase is associated with layoffs for model changeover in the automobile industry. Current totals are 10 per cent below last year.

Of the 69,500 initial claims filed in July some 62,700 or 90 per cent were classed as separations from employment during the month, the balance constituting requests for re-establishment of credits on behalf of persons exhausting benefit. In June slightly over 85 per cent of initial claims were thus classified.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 150,400 for July, compared with 190,000 for June and 191,000 for July 1961. Benefit payments amounted to \$14.5 million during July, as against \$18.7 million during June and \$18.6 million during July 1961. The average benefit payment per week compensated was \$22.98 in July, \$23.45 in June and \$23.13 in July 1961.

Claims and benefit payments, by province

The June to July decline in the claimant count was nationwide except for Prince Edward Island and Ontario where increases occurred. In comparison with last year, totals were lower in all areas except in the Atlantic provinces. This year's claimant count was below that for last year in Nova Scotia, higher in Newfoundland, while there was no change in Prince Edward Island or New Brunswick.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	<u>June 29 to</u> <u>July 31, 1962</u>			<u>July 31, 1961 to</u> <u>July 31, 1962</u>			<u>June 30 to</u> <u>July 31, 1961</u>		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 1	- 1	- 1	- 17	- 20	- 12	- 4	- 5	- 2
Nfld.	- 12	- 14	- 1	+ 7	+ 6	+ 12	- 15	- 16	- 7
P.E.I.	+ 9	+ 13	+ 3	-	+ 6	- 8	+ 1	- 3	+ 8
N.S.	- 2	- 2	- 5	- 6	- 7	- 2	- 18	- 21	- 3
N.B.	- 5	- 3	- 8	-	+ 4	- 9	- 15	- 18	- 9
Que.	- 5	- 7	+ 1	- 19	- 20	- 18	- 5	- 8	-
Ont.	+ 12	+ 19	+ 3	- 18	- 22	- 9	+ 3	+ 6	- 2
Man.	- 14	- 19	- 6	- 13	- 18	- 4	- 9	- 8	- 10
Sask.	- 11	- 22	+ 4	- 15	- 24	- 3	- 7	- 11	-
Alta.	- 17	- 23	- 6	- 12	- 13	- 10	- 8	- 13	+ 2
B.C.	- 11	- 12	- 9	- 26	- 32	- 13	- 9	- 10	- 8

The July claim volume was markedly above June in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Ontario. Manitoba was the only province showing a decline. In comparison with last year, the current intake is higher in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, but lower elsewhere.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	June to July 1962			July 1961 to July 1962			June to July 1961		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 20	+ 17	+ 25	- 11	- 3	- 21	+ 12	+ 6	+ 21
Nfld.	+ 28	- 6	+ 145	+ 10	+ 12	+ 8	+ 16	- 17	+ 128
P.E.I.	+ 70	+ 80	+ 51	+ 32	+ 34	+ 26	+ 26	+ 29	+ 21
N.S.	+ 3	+ 7	- 3	- 39	- 22	- 55	+ 18	+ 9	+ 27
N.B.	+ 32	+ 28	+ 39	+ 27	+ 33	+ 18	+ 1	- 9	+ 20
Que.	+ 12	+ 6	+ 24	- 6	- 2	- 11	+ 1	- 3	+ 7
Ont.	+ 39	+ 42	+ 33	- 12	- 3	- 25	+ 30	+ 25	+ 38
Man.	- 7	- 11	-	- 3	- 1	- 8	- 4	- 8	+ 3
Sask.	+ 9	+ 13	+ 1	- 15	- 5	- 32	+ 5	-	+ 16
Alta.	+ 2	- 8	+ 22	- 7	- 5	- 9	+ 6	-	+ 17
B.C.	+ 1	- 5	+ 12	- 20	- 13	- 27	- 9	- 15	-

Industrial classification of persons filing initial(1) claims
for unemployment insurance during June 1962

The number of initial claims classified as new separations from insured employment during June was 50,700, a 12 per cent reduction from the 57,500 filed in May. The industrial attachment showed little change from May. Manufacturing accounted for a third of the cases, while another third showed previous employment in either trade or service.

Industrial classification of claims by industry and province, June 1962

<u>Industry Group</u>	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	50.7	0.9	(2)	1.9	1.5	16.5	18.2	2.0	1.0	2.7	6.0
Per cent distribution											
	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Forestry (mainly logging)	2	10	-	(3)	7	2	1	1	1	(3)	4
Fishing and trapping	(3)	5	-	2	(3)	-	-	1	-	-	1
Mining	2	2	1	8	3	1	1	3	2	9	2
Manufacturing	33	13	22	27	22	38	41	24	14	16	22
Construction	11	13	7	8	10	8	10	13	11	14	18
Transp., commn., and other utilities	9	8	6	13	14	10	8	8	8	6	9
Trade	17	18	34	16	20	14	18	20	23	19	14
Service	15	12	13	13	12	15	13	15	25	19	18
Pub. admin. and defence	7	17	12	10	7	9	4	10	8	8	9
Other	4	2	5	1	5	3	4	5	8	9	3

(1) Data cover new cases only, i.e. they exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits. Such exclusions account for approximately 15 per cent of the initial claims filed in June.

(2) Less than 500 cases.

(3) Less than one-half of one per cent.

The June receipt of claims was lower than May in all the main industrial divisions except those comprising "transportation, communications and other utilities" and "Public administration and defence", where increases were indicated. The sharpest decline was in mining, where the volume of claims in June was less than half that for May. Claims from forestry were down by 25 per cent.

Some two-thirds of the June cases were estimated to have been filed by men. This is inferred from the month-end claimant count for those on claim 4 weeks or less as at the end of June. For December, when the volume of claims was at its peak, this proportion was over 80 per cent. This reflects the marked seasonal fluctuations in the employment of men.

Claimants at month - end

<u>4 weeks or less</u>	<u>5 or more</u>	<u>4 weeks or less</u>	<u>5 or more</u>
June 30, 1962		June 30, 1961	

per cent male

Canada	66	62	69	65
Newfoundland	81	85	81	85
Prince Edward Island	64	62	69	62
Nova Scotia	76	74	85	77
New Brunswick	73	72	70	74
Quebec	67	66	66	67
Ontario	62	54	66	61
Manitoba	66	61	65	61
Saskatchewan	59	56	62	58
Alberta	70	64	68	65
British Columbia	71	59	77	63

.. Not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	July 1962	June 1962	July 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				June 1962	July 1961	January to July		12 months ending July	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	3,987	3,918	..	..	..	4,093*	..	4,085*
Initial and renewal claims filed	112	93	126	+ 20	- 11	1,277	1,449	2,289	2,670
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	212	214	255	- 1	- 17	480*	591*	423*	522*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	150	190	191	- 21	- 21	445*	561*	348*	439*
Weeks compensated	631	798	802	- 21	- 21	12,961	16,396	17,301	22,043
Benefit paid	\$ 14,512	18,709	18,551	- 22	- 22	314,892	391,522	417,340	521,065
Average weekly benefit	\$ 22.98	23.45	23.13	- 2	- 1	24.30	23.88	24.12	23.64

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - June	3,987,000	3,772,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200
November	4,023,000	3,637,000	386,000
October	3,940,000	3,671,300	268,700
September	3,913,000	3,683,800	229,200
August	3,939,000	3,709,700	229,300
July	3,918,000	3,662,700	255,300
June	3,896,000	3,629,100	266,900

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Prov.	1962 - July - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	112,362	69,450	42,912	126,156	71,948	54,208
Nfld.	2,185	1,236	949	1,982	1,104	878
P.E.I.	392	270	122	298	201	97
N.S.	4,046	2,480	1,566	6,659	3,181	3,478
N.B.	3,811	2,390	1,421	3,001	1,795	1,206
Que.	33,180	20,298	12,882	35,141	20,641	14,500
Ont.	47,848	30,186	17,662	54,639	31,227	23,412
Man.	3,290	2,094	1,196	3,405	2,108	1,297
Sask.	1,768	1,240	528	2,082	1,305	777
Alta.	4,589	2,717	1,872	4,934	2,870	2,064
B.C.	11,253	6,539	4,714	14,015	7,516	6,499

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 34,460.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	July 31 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	July 31, 1962									
CANADA -	211,975	73,520	22,874	29,615	20,900	16,763	11,544	36,759	29.2	255,278
MALE	134,611	51,267	14,507	17,803	12,331	10,497	6,969	21,237	30.9	167,546
FEMALE	77,364	22,253	8,367	11,812	8,569	6,266	4,575	15,522	26.3	87,732
Nfld.	5,883	1,448	421	671	600	605	423	1,715	67.8	5,487
Male	4,848	1,242	339	533	497	533	356	1,348	69.5	4,562
Female	1,035	206	82	138	103	72	67	367	60.0	925
P.E.I.	819	208	137	110	80	83	37	164	59.5	815
Male	528	147	102	66	52	54	22	85	66.5	500
Female	291	61	35	44	28	29	15	79	46.7	315
N.S.	9,927	2,435	1,045	1,406	989	1,178	610	2,264	40.5	10,571
Male	7,458	1,898	832	1,033	718	893	432	1,652	40.3	8,056
Female	2,469	537	213	373	271	285	178	612	41.0	2,515
N.B.	8,159	2,189	930	1,176	892	1,098	511	1,363	48.4	8,146
Male	5,971	1,743	704	819	613	895	379	818	50.3	5,752
Female	2,188	446	226	357	279	203	132	545	43.2	2,394
Que.	63,101	21,266	7,235	9,709	6,811	4,971	3,517	9,592	27.9	78,172
Male	40,449	14,193	4,780	6,318	4,186	3,185	2,184	5,603	29.1	50,384
Female	22,652	7,073	2,455	3,391	2,625	1,786	1,333	3,989	25.9	27,788
Ont.	79,693	32,939	8,519	10,574	6,745	4,893	3,533	12,490	20.2	96,693
Male	48,552	23,294	5,005	5,571	3,456	2,517	1,903	6,806	19.9	62,323
Female	31,141	9,645	3,514	5,003	3,289	2,376	1,630	5,684	20.5	34,370
Man.	8,526	2,475	910	1,206	937	690	505	1,803	22.4	9,777
Male	5,021	1,491	517	701	545	400	280	1,087	24.1	6,144
Female	3,505	984	393	505	392	290	225	716	19.8	3,633
Sask.	4,482	1,021	409	603	534	408	284	1,223	42.2	5,278
Male	2,238	511	188	301	286	226	131	595	48.0	2,961
Female	2,244	510	221	302	248	182	153	628	36.5	2,317
Alta.	9,937	2,626	1,117	1,359	1,135	1,059	800	1,841	62.7	11,257
Male	6,117	1,731	755	759	714	682	506	970	69.0	7,018
Female	3,820	895	362	600	421	377	294	871	52.6	4,239
B.C.	21,448	6,913	2,151	2,801	2,177	1,778	1,324	4,304	27.2	29,082
Male	13,429	5,017	1,285	1,702	1,264	1,112	776	2,273	29.0	19,846
Female	8,019	1,896	866	1,099	913	666	548	2,031	22.9	9,236

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
July - 1962							
Canada -	103,169	38,676	35,902	24,080	4,511	25,258	11,151
Nfld.	1,916	597	666	559	94	515	317
P.E.I.	357	160	97	83	17	70	19
N.S.	3,877	1,532	1,327	859	159	747	389
N.B.	3,604	1,435	1,210	822	137	703	410
Que.	33,182	13,098	11,056	7,744	1,284	6,655	3,513
Ont.	40,847	15,281	14,826	8,914	1,826	12,466	4,050
Man.	2,936	1,161	952	691	132	680	514
Sask.	1,657	688	432	468	69	378	158
Alta.	4,300	1,531	1,512	1,050	207	1,086	543
B.C.	10,493	3,193	3,824	2,890	586	1,958	1,238

July - 1961

Canada -	120,053	44,716	47,438	23,790	4,109	22,296	12,428
Nfld.	1,605	423	561	526	95	475	339
P.E.I.	291	130	71	73	17	46	30
N.S.	6,950	2,686	3,279	830	155	609	327
N.B.	2,844	1,090	991	653	110	496	285
Que.	34,380	13,047	12,506	7,613	1,214	6,429	3,701
Ont.	49,973	18,967	20,873	8,576	1,557	10,697	5,099
Man.	3,434	1,372	1,187	741	134	281	366
Sask.	1,957	697	625	561	74	349	214
Alta.	4,680	1,560	1,733	1,181	206	799	615
B.C.	13,939	4,744	5,612	3,036	547	2,115	1,452

(1) In addition, 33,927 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,531 were special requests not granted and 1,886 were appeals by claimants. There were 9,900 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during July, 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962 (1)	13,540	388	40	485	460	4,654	4,699	345	218	589	1,662
	1961	14,994	377	36	476	422	5,049	5,196	387	314	628	2,109
Claimants disqualified	1962	29,120	445	107	1,000	929	9,508	10,423	979	623	1,577	3,529
	1961	24,660	434	98	983	681	8,082	9,004	1,109	512	1,215	2,542
Not unemployed	1962	710	63	16	53	42	187	197	32	24	23	73
	1961	802	39	6	64	32	138	395	16	19	32	61
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	10,405	121	32	264	313	3,387	3,668	424	239	655	1,302
	1961	8,639	84	25	256	210	2,744	3,181	608	199	431	901
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	327	-	-	-	-	57	238	3	29	-	-
	1961	349	-	-	2	1	78	261	-	1	1	5
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,575	7	4	50	48	578	598	44	22	77	147
	1961	1,748	14	6	58	33	753	565	58	41	86	134
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,166	22	-	69	36	417	444	23	12	53	90
	1961	1,019	19	3	39	16	347	385	39	20	57	94
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	6,575	94	23	217	195	2,135	2,311	244	148	286	922
	1961	5,916	97	28	205	150	1,834	2,027	253	172	442	708
Other reasons	1962	8,362	138	32	347	295	2,747	2,967	209	149	483	995
	1961	6,187	181	30	359	239	2,188	2,190	135	60	166	639
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during July												
		2,359	60	10	66	90	959	818	50	24	73	209

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - July - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	150.4	191.0
Newfoundland	4.6	3.9
Prince Edward Island	0.6	0.6
Nova Scotia	7.5	8.7
New Brunswick	6.4	6.7
Quebec	45.4	58.9
Ontario	50.7	71.0
Manitoba	6.6	7.3
Saskatchewan	3.8	3.8
Alberta	8.5	8.6
British Columbia	16.4	21.3

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - July - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	631,485	14,511,553	802,080	18,550,593
Nfld.	19,194	447,816	16,393	376,593
P.E.I.	2,453	48,482	2,680	53,573
N.S.	31,455	678,244	36,530	809,639
N.B.	26,817	587,079	28,346	622,986
Que.	190,496	4,408,043	247,516	5,629,833
Ont.	212,729	4,849,381	298,061	6,959,640
Man.	27,800	634,849	30,857	684,281
Sask.	15,856	346,184	15,893	375,340
Alta.	35,719	872,202	36,282	847,219
B.C.	68,966	1,639,273	89,522	2,191,489

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

July - 1962

Canada -	572,080	59,405	41,894
Newfoundland	17,251	1,943	1,560
Prince Edward Island	2,240	213	164
Nova Scotia	26,972	4,483	3,654
New Brunswick	23,247	3,570	2,704
Quebec	173,490	17,006	10,760
Ontario	194,705	18,024	12,445
Manitoba	25,137	2,663	1,983
Saskatchewan	14,522	1,334	945
Alberta	32,351	3,368	2,445
British Columbia	62,165	6,801	5,234

July - 1961

Canada -	729,184	72,896	51,211
Newfoundland	14,625	1,768	1,413
Prince Edward Island	2,480	200	148
Nova Scotia	31,848	4,682	3,763
New Brunswick	25,118	3,228	2,792
Quebec	228,082	19,434	12,585
Ontario	271,771	26,290	18,264
Manitoba	28,121	2,736	2,041
Saskatchewan	14,603	1,290	923
Alberta	32,980	3,302	2,300
British Columbia	79,556	9,966	6,982

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.



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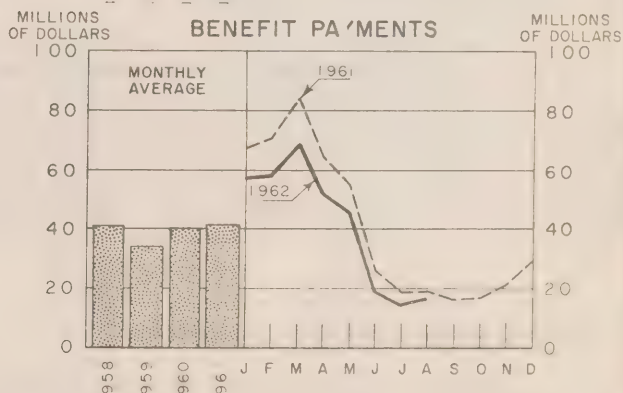
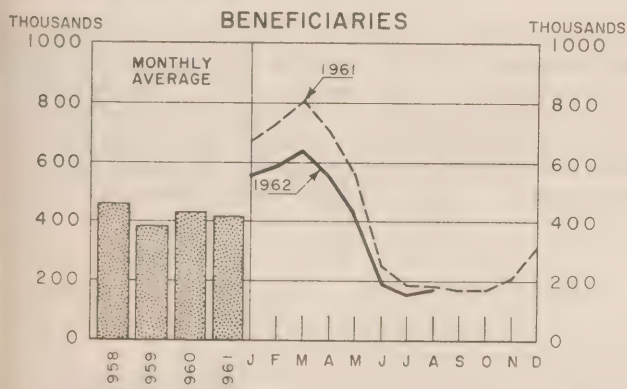
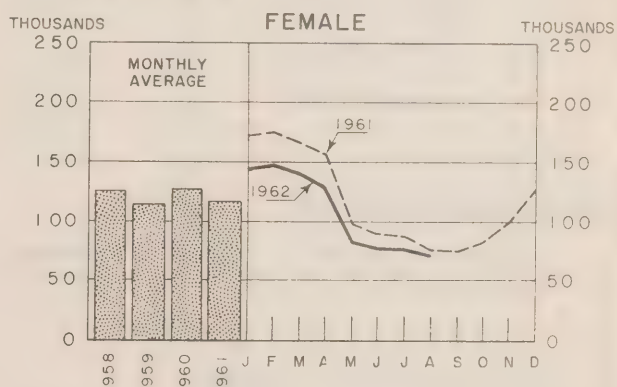
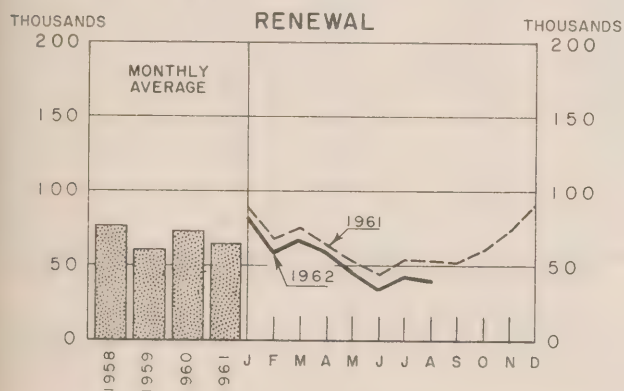
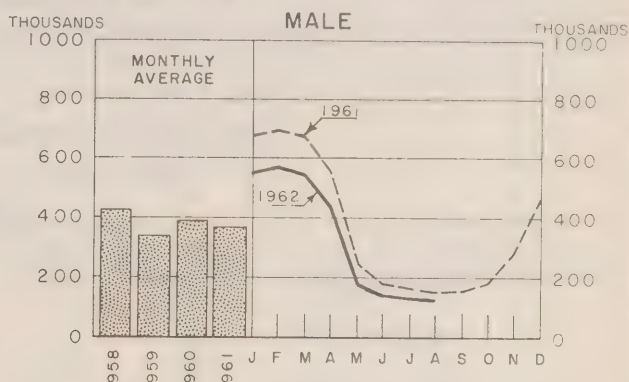
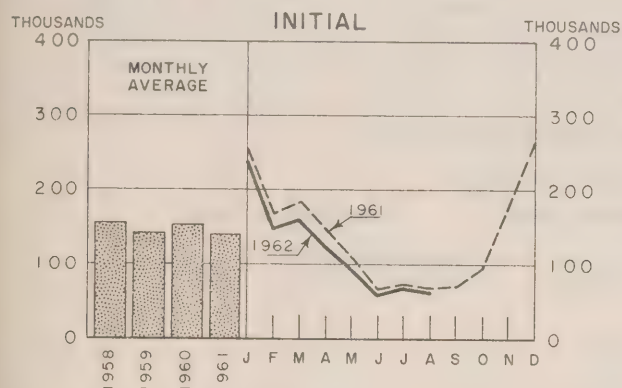
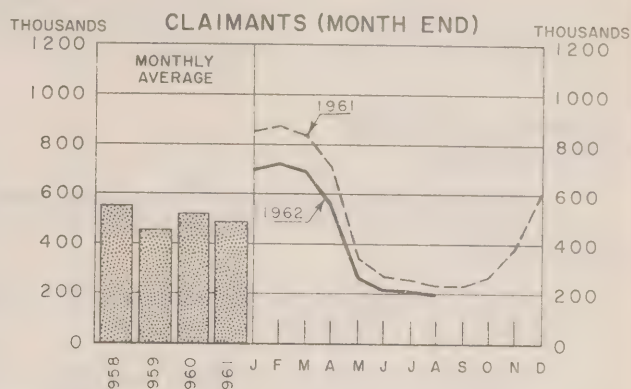
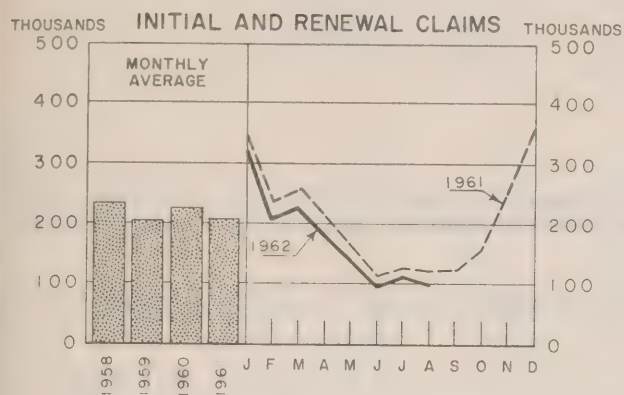
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For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

August 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on August 31 numbered 198,700. This represents the lowest aggregate for August since 1956 and is some 30,000 below last August. The count on July 31 was 212,000.

Almost two-thirds of the claimants were men. This proportion was virtually unchanged from the previous month or from August 31 last year.

Seventy per cent of those on continuous claim 4 weeks or less as of August 31 were men, in comparison with 61 per cent of those on continuous claim for a longer period. These proportions tend to vary directly with the claim load, and the gap between them narrows as the claim load rises.

Per cent male among those on continuous claim

	<u>4 weeks or less</u>	<u>5 weeks or more</u>
September 1961	74	61
December 1961	83	71
March 1962	81	79
June 1962	66	62
August 1962	70	61

Initial and renewal claims

During August 98,800 initial and renewal claims were filed. This is 12 per cent less than for July and almost 20 per cent below August 1961.

Beneficiaries and Benefit Payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 157,100 for August in comparison with 150,400 for July and 186,600 for August 1961. Benefit payments amounted to \$15.9 million during August, almost 10 per cent more than in July but 15 per cent lower than the payments for August 1961. The increase in payments, in contrast with declines in claims filed and the claimant count, reflects a lag in payment data. These latter are counted in the month in which the duplicate payment vouchers are received in the Treasury offices of the U.I.C. for accounting purposes. The unemployment in respect of which the payments are made may have occurred prior to that particular month. The average weekly payment at \$22.97 was virtually unchanged for the months under review.

Claims and benefit payments, by province

Absolute declines in claimants for Quebec and Ontario taken together were greater than that at the national level but these were offset by increases in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Alberta.

Percentage change in month-end claimant count

	<u>July 31 to</u> <u>August 31, 1962</u>			<u>August 31, 1961 to</u> <u>August 31, 1962</u>			<u>July 31 to</u> <u>August 31, 1961</u>		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 6	- 5	- 9	- 13	- 16	- 9	- 10	- 9	- 12
Nfld.	- 1	- 3	+ 9	+ 10	+ 14	- 3	- 4	- 10	+ 27
P.E.I.	- 9	- 14	- 1	+ 4	+ 5	+ 2	- 12	- 13	- 10
N.S.	+ 7	+ 8	+ 4	- 11	- 14	-	+ 13	+ 16	+ 2
N.B.	+ 7	+ 10	- 2	+ 16	+ 26	- 5	- 8	- 9	- 6
Que.	- 9	- 7	- 12	- 16	- 16	- 15	- 13	- 11	- 16
Ont.	- 10	- 9	- 12	- 12	- 15	- 6	- 16	- 16	- 15
Man.	- 10	- 12	- 6	- 9	- 16	+ 1	- 13	- 15	- 11
Sask.	- 7	- 8	- 6	- 23	- 34	- 8	+ 2	+ 5	- 1
Alta.	+ 2	+ 3	+ 1	+ 1	+ 9	- 10	- 11	- 18	+ 1
B.C.	-	+ 2	- 3	- 29	- 36	- 11	+ 4	+ 8	- 5

The pattern of changes in the claim volume was somewhat similar to that for the month-end claimant count, with Quebec and Ontario accounting for most of the decline. Small absolute declines occurred elsewhere except in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Alberta, and British Columbia where claims increased.

Percentage change in claims filed

	<u>July to</u> <u>August 1962</u>			<u>August 1961 to</u> <u>August 1962</u>			<u>July to</u> <u>August 1961</u>		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 12	- 14	- 9	- 19	- 12	- 26	- 4	- 6	- 2
Nfld.	+ 4	+ 6	+ 2	+ 25	+ 18	+ 36	- 8	-	- 19
P.E.I.	- 30	- 30	- 30	+ 16	+ 44	- 18	- 20	- 34	+ 8
N.S.	+ 12	- 2	+ 34	- 54	- 29	- 67	+ 47	+ 7	+ 83
N.B.	+ 5	+ 1	+ 13	+ 32	+ 31	+ 33	+ 2	+ 3	-
Que.	- 17	- 18	- 15	- 14	- 12	- 17	- 9	- 9	- 8
Ont.	- 22	- 23	- 20	- 19	- 14	- 27	- 15	- 14	- 16
Man.	- 8	- 6	- 11	- 23	- 18	- 30	+ 15	+ 15	+ 16
Sask.	- 4	- 6	+ 1	- 32	- 24	- 45	+ 20	+ 17	+ 25
Alta.	+ 14	+ 12	+ 17	+ 1	- 1	+ 4	+ 5	+ 7	+ 2
B.C.	+ 12	+ 10	+ 14	- 21	- 17	- 27	+ 14	+ 15	+ 13

New cases of insured unemployment during August

Of the 98,800 initial and renewal claims filed during August, 91,800 or 93 per cent represented separations from employment during the month.(1) This represents a 13 per cent decline from the 105,600 claims identified as new cases during July. The new cases, by province, are as follows:

	<u>August</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Per cent change</u> <u>July to August</u>
Canada	91,800	105,574	- 13
Nfld.	2,005	2,006	-
P.E.I.	251	363	- 31
N.S.	4,153	3,675	+ 13
N.B.	3,663	3,507	+ 4
Que.	25,929	31,070	- 17
Ont.	34,330	45,113	- 24
Man.	2,869	3,098	- 7
Sask.	1,602	1,686	- 5
Alta.	5,059	4,428	+ 14
B.C.	11,939	10,628	+ 12

(1) The remainder were initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits.

The industrial classification of persons filing new initial claims during July will not be published. In future, these data will be published in the issue covering the first month in the quarter and will refer to the final month in the preceeding quarter.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	August 1962	July 1962	August 1961	% Change from		Cummulative data			
				July 1962	August 1961	January to August		12 months ending August	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	3,986	3,939	..	..	..	4,075*	..	4,080*
Initial and renewal claims filed	99	112	121	- 12	- 19	1,376	1,570	2,266	2,641
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	199	212	229	- 6	- 13	445*	545*	420*	518*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	157	150	187	+ 4	- 16	409*	515*	346*	437*
Weeks compensated	691	631	821	+ 9	- 16	13,653	17,217	17,171	21,893
Benefit paid	\$ 15,878	14,512	18,866	+ 9	- 16	330,770	410,388	414,353	518,574

Average weekly benefit	\$	22.97	22.98	22.98	-	-	24.23	23.84	24.13	23.69
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*Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - July	3,986,000	3,774,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200
November	4,023,000	3,637,000	386,000
October	3,940,000	3,671,300	268,700
September	3,913,000	3,683,800	229,200
August	3,939,000	3,709,700	229,300
July	3,918,000	3,662,700	255,300

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Prov.	1962 - August - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	98,752	59,609	39,143	121,174	67,959	53,215
Nfld.	2,276	1,310	966	1,820	1,109	711
P.E.I.	276	190	86	237	132	105
N.S.	4,520	2,426	2,094	9,780	3,408	6,372
N.B.	4,015	2,413	1,602	3,053	1,846	1,207
Que.	27,640	16,640	11,000	32,139	18,867	13,272
Ont.	37,504	23,289	14,215	46,580	26,983	19,597
Man.	3,032	1,972	1,060	3,925	2,416	1,509
Sask.	1,700	1,169	531	2,499	1,529	970
Alta.	5,229	3,035	2,194	5,172	3,058	2,114
B.C.	12,560	7,165	5,395	15,969	8,611	7,358

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 41,901.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	August 31, 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	<u>August 31, 1962</u>									
CANADA -	198,694	61,722	21,413	34,317	21,377	15,406	10,933	33,526	30.1	229,318
MALE	128,234	43,792	14,385	22,398	12,326	8,932	6,522	19,879	31.7	151,855
FEMALE	70,460	17,930	7,028	11,919	9,051	6,474	4,411	13,647	27.3	77,463
Nfld.	5,824	1,387	606	909	594	542	312	1,474	66.1	5,277
Male	4,693	1,228	491	766	447	415	254	1,092	68.4	4,105
Female	1,131	159	115	143	147	127	58	382	56.1	1,172
P.E.I.	744	149	79	187	83	54	49	143	57.9	716
Male	455	88	53	126	52	32	29	75	62.0	434
Female	289	61	26	61	31	22	20	68	51.6	282
N.S.	10,633	2,975	1,017	1,616	1,127	786	821	2,291	37.8	11,934
Male	8,058	2,363	787	1,224	797	560	632	1,695	38.2	9,361
Female	2,575	612	230	392	330	226	189	596	36.7	2,573
N.B.	8,709	2,561	1,018	1,473	903	692	673	1,389	49.9	7,482
Male	6,572	2,137	829	1,080	598	491	531	906	52.4	5,230
Female	2,137	424	189	393	305	201	142	483	42.0	2,252
Que.	57,618	18,644	6,062	9,077	6,905	4,934	3,143	8,853	27.4	68,250
Male	37,797	13,392	4,179	5,808	4,190	2,999	1,916	5,313	28.2	44,911
Female	19,821	5,252	1,883	3,269	2,715	1,935	1,227	3,540	26.0	23,339
Ont.	71,631	21,912	7,933	14,573	7,220	4,982	3,384	11,627	22.6	81,486
Male	44,188	14,905	5,067	9,816	3,726	2,512	1,671	6,491	22.4	52,263
Female	27,443	7,007	2,866	4,757	3,494	2,470	1,713	5,136	23.0	29,223
Man.	7,693	2,214	837	1,391	805	587	410	1,449	21.0	8,471
Male	4,398	1,326	487	712	448	331	209	885	23.1	5,220
Female	3,295	888	350	679	357	256	201	564	18.1	3,251
Sask.	4,164	1,022	408	677	445	375	277	960	40.9	5,395
Male	2,063	582	195	291	205	168	135	487	46.3	3,106
Female	2,101	440	213	386	240	207	142	473	35.6	2,289
Alta.	10,131	3,242	1,201	1,524	1,119	813	674	1,558	62.5	10,072
Male	6,278	2,272	794	860	580	476	420	876	67.5	5,775
Female	3,853	970	407	664	539	337	254	682	54.5	4,297
B.C.	21,547	7,616	2,252	2,890	2,176	1,641	1,190	3,782	26.1	30,235
Male	13,732	5,499	1,503	1,715	1,283	948	725	2,059	28.2	21,450
Female	7,815	2,117	749	1,175	893	693	465	1,723	22.3	8,785

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
August - 1962							
Canada -	106,077	40,595	35,493	24,954	5,035	19,318	9,766
Nfld.	2,337	678	873	635	151	512	259
P.E.I.	292	119	69	91	13	50	23
N.S.	4,565	1,549	1,922	890	204	734	357
N.B.	4,036	1,405	1,493	998	140	713	379
Que.	29,217	10,315	10,093	7,491	1,318	5,489	3,102
Ont.	42,836	18,792	13,052	9,058	1,934	7,905	3,279
Man.	3,381	1,245	989	934	213	473	372
Sask.	1,772	696	465	519	92	332	132
Alta.	5,057	1,673	1,864	1,282	238	1,166	635
B.C.	12,584	4,123	4,673	3,056	732	1,944	1,228
August - 1961							
Canada -	125,729	45,155	49,383	26,182	5,009	18,918	11,251
Nfld.	2,154	561	742	694	157	329	151
P.E.I.	261	87	102	58	14	33	19
N.S.	8,831	1,770	6,042	833	186	1,414	471
N.B.	3,085	1,018	1,103	823	141	501	248
Que.	33,662	11,839	12,394	8,026	1,403	5,431	3,176
Ont.	50,693	20,927	18,504	9,362	1,900	7,391	4,292
Man.	3,741	1,368	1,321	868	184	461	370
Sask.	2,462	958	817	588	99	332	268
Alta.	5,213	1,735	1,915	1,349	214	773	600
B.C.	15,627	4,892	6,443	3,581	711	2,253	1,656

(1) In addition 39,959 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,607 were special requests not granted and 2,030 were appeals by claimants. There were 11,842 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during August 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962(1) 1961	13,803 16,153	415 501	42 23	500 456	675 508	4,408 5,174	4,691 5,541	409 483	221 306	630 709	1,812 2,452
Claimants disqualified	1962 1961	35,194 31,589	764 744	124 123	1,390 1,275	1,080 1,066	11,259 10,529	11,927 11,116	1,253 1,125	841 694	1,672 1,450	4,884 3,467
Not unemployed	1962 1961	557 646	33 38	5 2	33 38	30 29	146 160	198 228	26 20	17 23	19 36	50 72
Not capable of and not available for work	1962 1961	9,827 9,290	166 111	40 23	288 291	237 196	3,073 3,088	3,590 3,414	394 417	295 231	528 524	1,216 995
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962 1961	547 308	- -	- -	5 -	1 1	183 103	203 166	154 -	- 14	- -	1 24
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962 1961	1,724 2,028	6 17	11 11	77 57	31 21	697 922	591 642	36 71	48 32	84 71	143 184
Discharged for misconduct	1962 1961	1,247 1,239	22 27	10 -	45 42	43 36	443 429	470 467	29 37	17 21	52 72	116 108
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962 1961	7,066 6,778	112 111	12 32	247 237	197 261	2,108 2,169	2,409 2,119	315 291	166 199	485 479	1,015 880
Other reasons	1962 1961	14,226 11,300	425 440	46 55	695 610	541 522	4,609 3,658	4,466 4,080	299 289	298 174	504 268	2,343 1,204

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during August

1962	111	8	106	142	1,594	1,040	44	16	63	267
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Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - August - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	157.1	186.6
Newfoundland	4.7	4.2
Prince Edward Island	0.7	0.6
Nova Scotia	8.3	8.3
New Brunswick	7.1	6.2
Quebec	45.5	56.1
Ontario	56.8	68.5
Manitoba	6.7	7.1
Saskatchewan	3.7	4.7
Alberta	7.4	8.3
British Columbia	16.3	22.6

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - August - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	691,346	15,878,047	820,925	18,865,698
Nfld.	20,817	494,454	18,317	422,270
P.E.I.	3,060	61,673	2,700	53,136
N.S.	36,447	799,405	36,515	802,327
N.B.	31,305	677,508	27,210	583,589
Que.	200,050	4,593,067	246,680	5,549,789
Ont.	249,810	5,735,821	301,483	6,954,305
Man.	29,544	670,663	31,354	704,498
Sask.	16,157	355,913	20,495	444,268
Alta.	32,455	778,984	36,638	852,985
B.C.	71,701	1,710,559	99,533	2,498,531

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

<u>August - 1962</u>			
Canada -	625,666	65,680	43,402
Newfoundland	18,717	2,100	1,628
Prince Edward Island	2,801	259	195
Nova Scotia	31,618	4,829	3,907
New Brunswick	27,238	4,067	2,841
Quebec	183,091	16,959	10,027
Ontario	224,352	25,458	15,934
Manitoba	27,444	2,100	1,426
Saskatchewan	14,930	1,227	805
Alberta	29,349	3,106	2,179
British Columbia	66,126	5,575	4,460

<u>August - 1961</u>			
Canada -	746,420	74,505	49,671
Newfoundland	16,365	1,952	1,426
Prince Edward Island	2,514	186	155
Nova Scotia	31,676	4,839	3,789
New Brunswick	24,032	3,178	2,202
Quebec	227,837	18,843	11,374
Ontario	272,629	28,854	18,825
Manitoba	28,851	2,503	1,764
Saskatchewan	19,008	1,487	998
Alberta	33,393	3,245	2,205
British Columbia	90,115	9,418	6,933

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$23.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class 3 is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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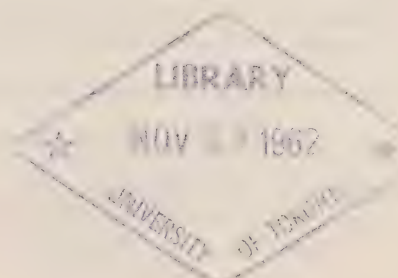
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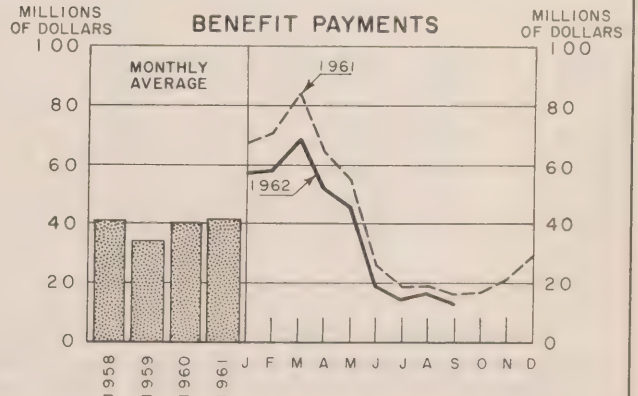
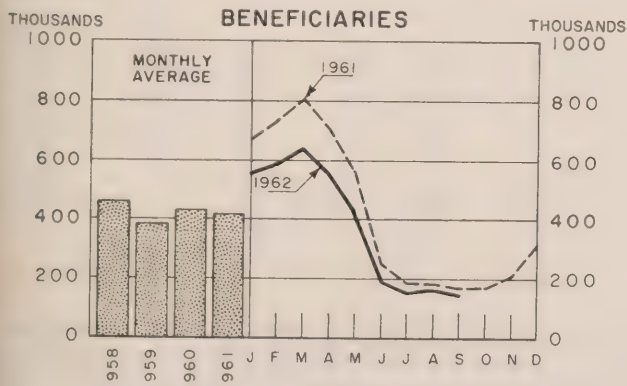
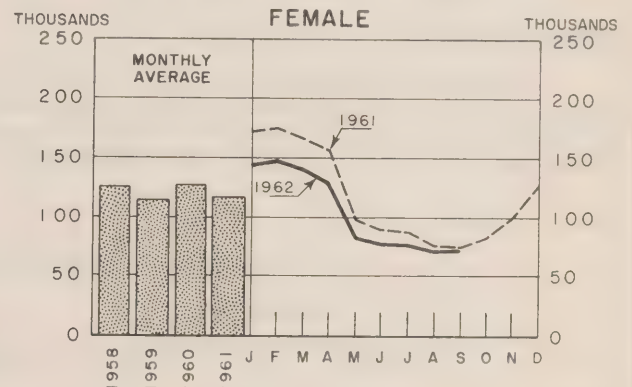
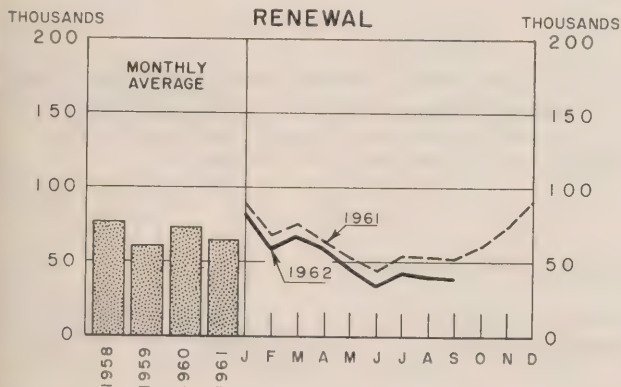
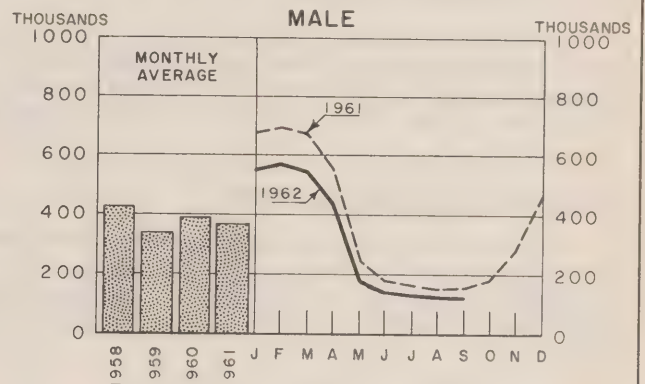
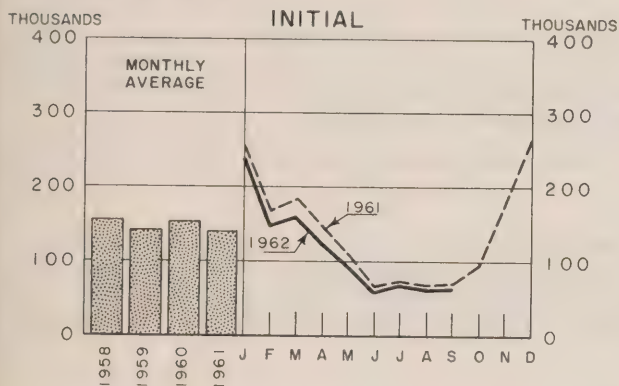
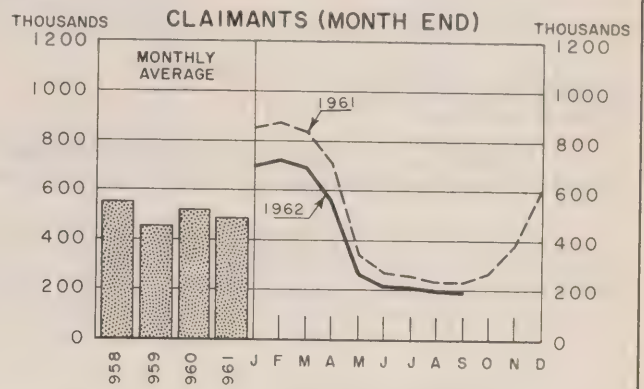
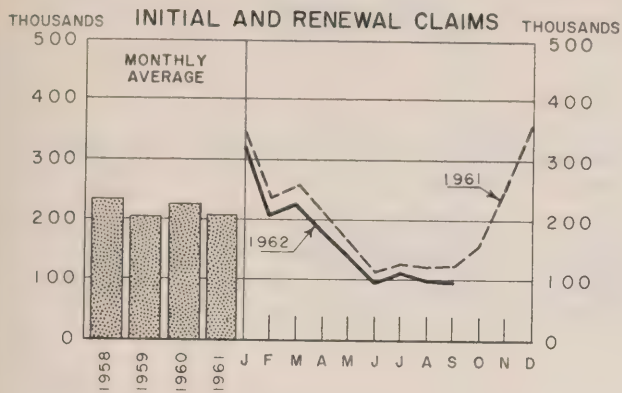
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For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

September 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on September 28, at 197,800, were virtually unchanged from the previous month, but 32,000 lower than on September 29, 1961.

Men accounted for about 70 per cent of persons on continuous claim less than 5 weeks as of September 28. This was unchanged from August 31. However, on September 29, 1961, they comprised almost three-quarters of this group. The sex composition of the longer term claimants, at 60 per cent male and 40 per cent female, was practically unchanged for each of the dates under review.

Initial and renewal claims

During September, 98,300 initial and renewal claims were filed, unchanged from August, but almost 24,000 below the total for September 1961. Of this total, 93,300, or 95 per cent were estimated as separations from employment during the month. During August 91,800, or 93 per cent of the 98,800 initial and renewal claims were estimated as new cases of insured unemployment.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 142,600 for September in comparison with 157,100 for August, and 173,200 for September 1961. Benefit payments amounted to \$12.7 million for September, in contrast with \$15.9 million for August, and \$16.1 million in September 1961. The average weekly payment was \$23.36 for September, as against \$22.97 for August and \$23.22 for September 1961.

Claims by province

Small month-to-month increases were recorded in the month-end claimant count in Quebec, the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia. Elsewhere there was either no change or small declines. While at the national level, the current total of claimants is almost 15 per cent lower than a year ago, substantial increases were shown in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick.

Percentage change in month-end claimant count

	August 31 to September 28, 1962			September 29, 1961 to September 28, 1962			August 31 to September 29, 1961		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	-	-	+ 1	- 14	- 18	- 6	-	+ 1	- 3
Nfld.	- 1	+ 2	- 11	+ 26	+ 33	+ 3	- 13	- 12	- 16
P.E.I.	- 3	- 6	+ 1	+ 12	+ 9	+ 16	- 10	- 10	- 11
N.S.	- 4	- 2	- 12	- 7	- 6	- 10	- 8	- 10	- 2
N.B.	-	-	+ 1	+ 16	+ 27	- 7	-	- 1	+ 3
Que.	+ 5	+ 7	-	- 11	- 11	- 11	- 1	+ 1	- 5
Ont.	- 9	- 13	- 2	- 24	- 34	- 4	+ 6	+ 11	- 4
Man.	+ 12	+ 17	+ 7	- 1	- 8	+ 10	+ 3	+ 7	- 2
Sask.	+ 3	-	+ 5	- 26	- 39	- 9	+ 8	+ 9	+ 6
Alta.	+ 5	+ 3	+ 10	+ 2	+ 6	- 3	+ 4	+ 5	+ 2
B.C.	+ 8	+ 7	+ 9	- 13	- 17	- 6	- 11	- 18	+ 4

The September claim volume exceeded that for August in Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia, but elsewhere it was lower. In Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, the September claims were substantially higher than a year ago but the reverse was true in Ontario and Saskatchewan.

Percentage change in claims filed

	August to September 1962			September 1961 to September 1962			August to September 1961		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 1	+ 2	- 3	- 19	- 13	- 28	+ 1	+ 3	- 2
Nfld.	- 2	+ 9	- 16	+ 31	+ 26	+ 41	- 6	+ 2	- 19
P.E.I.	+ 20	+ 8	+ 48	+ 39	+ 44	+ 32	-	+ 8	- 9
N.S.	- 8	- 2	- 16	- 15	- 10	- 20	- 50	- 22	- 65
N.B.	- 4	- 4	- 4	+ 12	+ 16	+ 8	+ 12	+ 8	+ 19
Que.	+ 7	+ 11	+ 1	- 10	- 2	- 18	+ 2	+ 1	+ 2
Ont.	- 10	- 11	- 9	- 33	- 24	- 44	+ 9	+ 2	+ 18
Man.	+ 21	+ 24	+ 17	- 15	- 11	- 21	+ 10	+ 13	+ 4
Sask.	- 6	- 3	+ 18	- 40	- 41	- 36	+ 17	+ 26	+ 1
Alta.	- 10	+ 10	- 7	- 6	- 4	- 10	+ 11	+ 14	+ 7
B.C.	+ 9	+ 12	+ 4	- 12	- 13	- 11	- 3	+ 7	- 14

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Summary table

Activity	Sept. 1962	Aug. 1962	Sept. 1961	% Change from		Cummulative data			
				Aug. 1962	Sept. 1961	January to September		12 months ending September	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	3,945	3,913	..	..	..	4,057*	..	4,073*
Initial and renewal claims filed	98	99	122	- 1	- 19	1,474	1,692	2,243	2,623
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	198	199	229	-	- 14	417*	510*	418*	514*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	143	157	173	- 9	- 18	380*	477*	343*	433*
Weeks compensated	542	691	693	- 22	- 22	14,195	17,910	17,020	21,650
Benefit paid	\$ 12,664	15,878	16,082	- 20	- 21	343,434	426,470	410,935	513,470
Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.36	22.97	23.22	+ 2	+ 1	24.19	23.81	24.14	23.72

*Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - August	3,945,000	3,746,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200
November	4,023,000	3,637,000	386,000
October	3,940,000	3,671,300	268,700
September	3,913,000	3,683,800	229,200
August	3,939,000	3,709,700	229,300

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Prov.	1962 - September - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	98,293	60,512	37,781	121,980	69,836	52,144
Nfld.	2,232	1,422	810	1,702	1,127	575
P.E.I.	332	205	127	238	142	96
N.S.	4,142	2,388	1,754	4,866	2,663	2,203
N.B.	3,857	2,312	1,545	3,434	1,997	1,437
Que.	29,530	18,447	11,083	32,647	19,102	13,545
Ont.	33,712	20,779	12,933	50,571	27,411	23,160
Man.	3,681	2,437	1,244	4,307	2,737	1,570
Sask.	1,760	1,131	629	2,912	1,933	979
Alta.	5,371	3,333	2,038	5,736	3,476	2,260
B.C.	13,676	8,058	5,618	15,567	9,248	6,319

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 38,477.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim							Percent- age Postal	September 29, 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	September 28, 1962									
CANADA -	197,799	72,806	21,512	28,269	18,673	13,910	10,357	32,272	29.5	229,197
MALE	126,914	51,173	14,179	17,872	10,761	7,750	5,822	19,357	30.7	153,887
FEMALE	70,885	21,633	7,333	10,397	7,912	6,160	4,535	12,915	27.5	75,310
Nfld.	5,783	1,675	647	820	525	371	246	1,499	64.2	4,583
Male	4,774	1,433	539	688	412	282	181	1,239	65.5	3,599
Female	1,009	242	108	132	113	89	65	260	58.2	984
P.E.I.	718	233	77	77	104	50	35	142	55.8	641
Male	427	157	50	40	60	25	21	74	61.4	391
Female	291	76	27	37	44	25	14	68	47.8	250
N.S.	10,183	2,970	1,083	1,626	1,030	687	549	2,238	38.6	10,966
Male	7,912	2,435	835	1,253	760	501	399	1,729	38.3	8,451
Female	2,271	535	248	373	270	186	150	509	39.5	2,515
N.B.	8,744	2,836	1,024	1,468	863	625	455	1,473	47.4	7,515
Male	6,582	2,334	795	1,165	589	394	304	1,001	49.9	5,194
Female	2,162	502	229	303	274	231	151	472	39.9	2,321
Que.	60,286	22,382	6,551	8,748	5,865	4,684	3,450	8,606	26.6	67,696
Male	40,545	16,517	4,634	5,815	3,567	2,764	2,062	5,186	26.9	45,481
Female	19,741	5,865	1,917	2,933	2,298	1,920	1,388	3,420	26.2	22,215
Ont.	65,210	24,164	6,933	9,165	6,059	4,528	3,321	11,040	22.9	85,990
Male	38,309	15,793	4,184	5,271	3,167	2,199	1,605	6,090	22.2	58,071
Female	26,901	8,371	2,749	3,894	2,892	2,329	1,716	4,950	24.0	27,919
Man.	8,647	3,531	774	1,060	807	535	404	1,536	19.1	8,755
Male	5,124	2,216	438	613	436	278	236	907	20.1	5,562
Female	3,523	1,315	336	447	371	257	168	629	17.8	3,193
Sask.	4,277	1,336	409	596	471	306	278	881	39.3	5,806
Male	2,070	705	205	267	194	125	127	447	43.5	3,376
Female	2,207	631	204	329	277	181	151	434	35.3	2,430
Alta.	10,678	4,276	1,257	1,508	936	705	545	1,451	58.9	10,442
Male	6,446	2,949	683	830	488	360	303	833	63.8	6,078
Female	4,232	1,327	574	678	448	345	242	618	51.4	4,364
B.C.	23,273	9,403	2,757	3,201	2,013	1,419	1,074	3,406	24.0	26,803
Male	14,725	6,634	1,816	1,930	1,088	822	584	1,851	25.6	17,684
Female	8,548	2,769	941	1,271	925	597	490	1,555	21.2	9,119

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>September - 1962</u>							
Canada -	96,489	34,944	32,231	24,685	4,629	20,201	10,687
Nfld.	2,228	758	690	653	127	523	252
P.E.I.	306	106	103	83	14	66	33
N.S.	3,971	1,392	1,493	917	169	813	449
N.B.	3,765	1,358	1,313	942	152	725	459
Que.	28,300	10,211	9,550	7,090	1,449	6,635	3,186
Ont.	34,383	13,270	10,871	8,569	1,673	6,845	3,668
Man.	3,301	1,152	1,003	1,035	111	723	502
Sask.	1,569	582	476	433	78	448	207
Alta.	5,310	1,818	1,867	1,375	250	1,306	556
B.C.	13,356	4,297	4,865	3,588	606	2,117	1,375

September - 1961

Canada -	115,995	38,964	45,734	26,826	4,471	22,964	13,190
Nfld.	1,695	544	493	565	93	347	140
P.E.I.	234	77	82	61	14	37	19
N.S.	5,622	2,368	2,093	986	175	723	406
N.B.	3,188	1,086	1,159	837	106	575	420
Que.	31,378	10,582	11,952	7,690	1,154	6,261	3,615
Ont.	45,964	14,897	20,061	9,242	1,764	10,663	5,627
Man.	4,365	1,619	1,406	1,189	151	390	383
Sask.	2,768	1,040	826	748	154	477	267
Alta.	5,725	1,967	2,053	1,456	249	826	558
B.C.	15,056	4,784	5,609	4,052	611	2,665	1,755

(1) In addition 39,286 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,273 were special requests not granted and 1,836 were appeals by claimants. There were 11,033 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during September 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962(1)	14,389	341	47	506	635	4,279	4,552	668	229	816	2,316
	1961	17,334	353	34	618	560	5,226	5,470	751	448	813	3,061
Claimants disqualified	1962	34,962	893	111	1,291	1,101	11,920	12,725	913	573	1,420	4,015
	1961	33,624	570	88	1,057	703	11,549	12,618	1,006	908	1,784	3,341
Not unemployed	1962	585	73	3	27	33	170	152	17	22	21	67
	1961	594	20	3	41	22	179	158	33	35	34	69
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	9,000	172	26	278	298	2,722	3,445	323	231	498	1,007
	1961	8,772	132	23	272	201	2,655	3,410	335	261	610	873
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	159	-	-	-	1	37	67	8	-	-	46
	1961	252	-	-	3	2	89	55	-	52	42	9
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,790	7	17	98	47	687	692	23	27	64	128
	1961	2,297	6	22	91	25	880	892	57	29	105	190
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,170	36	1	46	40	444	416	18	11	47	111
	1961	1,201	24	7	36	20	432	470	34	19	63	96
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	6,533	146	27	222	178	1,960	2,343	217	116	377	947
	1961	6,862	119	17	248	187	2,137	2,350	306	185	479	834
Other reasons	1962	15,725	459	37	620	504	5,900	5,610	307	166	413	1,709
	1961	13,646	269	16	366	246	5,177	5,283	241	327	451	1,270

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during September

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - September - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	142.6	173.2
Newfoundland	4.2	3.5
Prince Edward Island	0.6	0.6
Nova Scotia	7.7	9.5
New Brunswick	6.7	6.0
Quebec	41.3	51.9
Ontario	50.3	62.5
Manitoba	5.9	6.8
Saskatchewan	3.2	4.3
Alberta	7.1	7.1
British Columbia	15.8	20.8

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - September - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	542,054	12,664,177	692,684	16,082,313
Nfld.	15,865	363,665	13,972	317,605
P.E.I.	2,329	47,104	2,499	49,828
N.S.	29,123	648,812	38,145	889,849
N.B.	25,419	556,446	24,083	509,759
Que.	156,753	3,701,881	207,632	4,764,191
Ont.	191,234	4,510,681	250,193	5,845,200
Man.	22,238	494,549	27,017	602,352
Sask.	12,201	264,086	17,244	374,793
Alta.	26,978	638,514	28,550	674,941
B.C.	59,914	1,438,439	83,349	2,053,795

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings
<u>September - 1962</u>			
Canada -	494,725	47,329	32,946
Newfoundland	13,692	2,173	1,808
Prince Edward Island	2,155	174	127
Nova Scotia	24,892	4,231	3,500
New Brunswick	22,053	3,366	2,471
Quebec	146,752	10,001	4,933
Ontario	174,140	17,094	12,134
Manitoba	20,268	1,970	1,269
Saskatchewan	10,875	1,326	1,023
Alberta	24,826	2,152	1,559
British Columbia	55,072	4,842	4,122

<u>September - 1961</u>			
Canada -	627,365	65,319	46,202
Newfoundland	12,148	1,824	1,466
Prince Edward Island	2,335	164	125
Nova Scotia	32,895	5,250	3,937
New Brunswick	20,776	3,307	2,421
Quebec	191,117	16,515	10,640
Ontario	226,945	23,248	16,508
Manitoba	24,922	2,095	1,456
Saskatchewan	15,839	1,405	993
Alberta	25,769	2,781	1,890
British Columbia	74,619	8,730	6,766

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and **no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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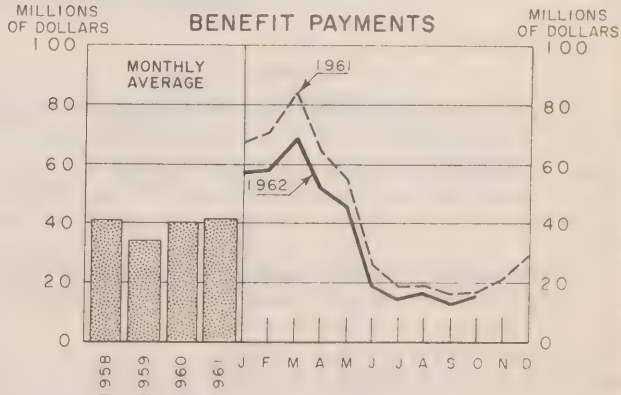
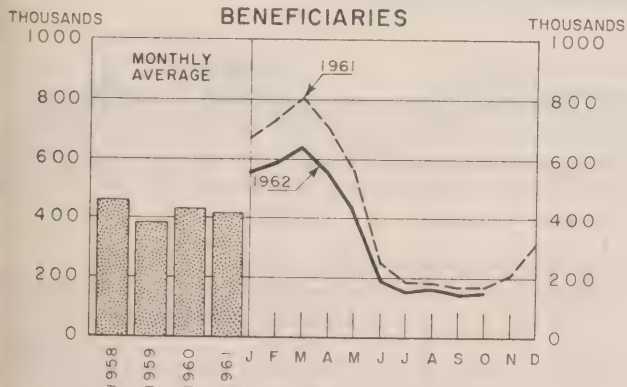
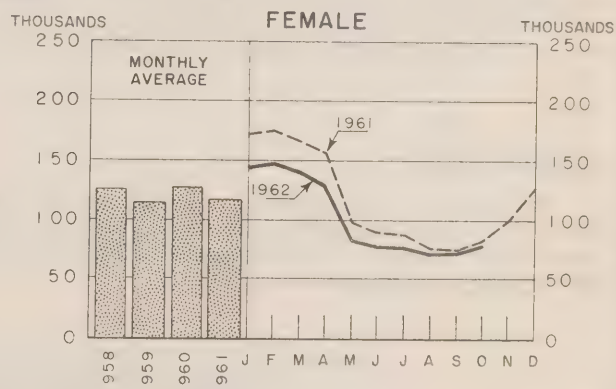
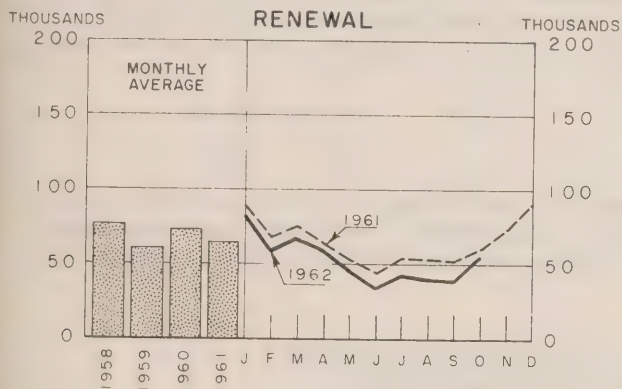
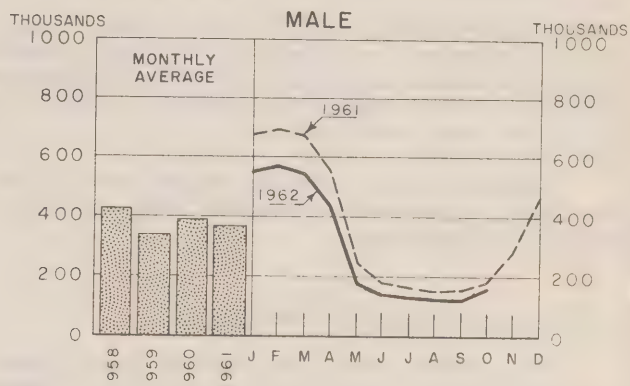
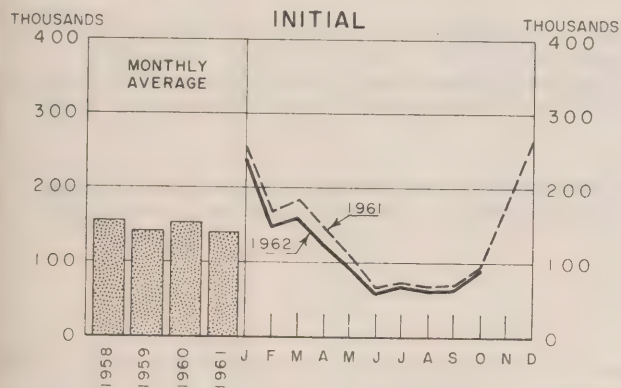
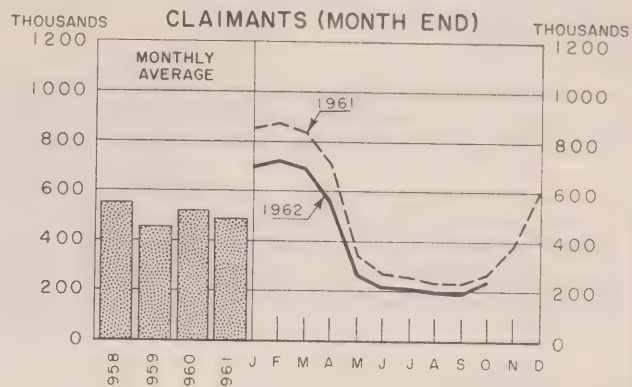
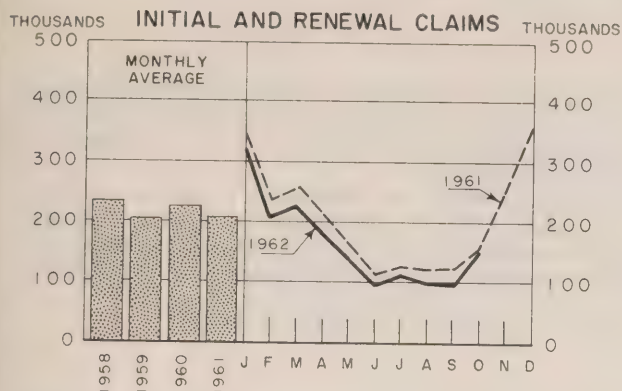
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For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

OCTOBER 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on October 31 totalled 244,100, more than 20 per cent above the 197,800 recorded on September 28, but almost 10 per cent lower than on October 31, 1961. More than 80 per cent of the month-to-month increase occurred in the male segment of the claimant group.

As indicated on Table 3, information covering the distribution of claimants by weeks on claim is now based on a 20 per cent sample of the cases in each local office. The total of claimants, by province, however, is obtained separately and represents a complete count of the persons currently reporting to claim benefit. The percentage distribution of claimants, by weeks on claim, as indicated by the sample, is then applied to the complete count.

Initial and renewal claims

During October, 150,400 initial and renewal claims were filed, an increase of more than 50 per cent over September, but five per cent fewer than during October 1961. The September-to-October percentage increase this year is considerably greater than during the same period one year ago when it was 30 per cent. However, the level of claims in 1962 has been consistently lower than during 1961 (see charted data on page 3).

Approximately 142,800 or 95 per cent of the 150,400 initial and renewal claims filed during October were classed as separations from employment during the month. This proportion is virtually unchanged from September.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 152,900 for October, in comparison with 142,600 for September and 173,300 for October 1961. Payments amounted to \$15.8 million, close to 25 per cent higher than September (\$12.7 million) but almost 10 per cent below October 1961 (\$17.1 million). The average weekly benefit payment was \$23.42 for October, \$23.36 for September and \$23.52 for October 1961.

Claims by province

The September-to-October increase in the month-end claimant count was relatively greater in the Prairie provinces and British Columbia than elsewhere. The regional variations were more marked for men than for women. In comparison with October 31, 1961, only the Atlantic provinces indicated a higher volume of claimants this year.

Percentage Changes in Month-end Claimant Count

	September 28 to October 31, 1962			October 31, 1961 to October 31, 1962			September 29 to October 31, 1961		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 23	+ 30	+ 11	- 9	- 11	- 5	+ 17	+ 21	+ 11
Nfld.	+ 5	+ 10	- 18	+ 11	+ 16	- 12	+ 19	+ 25	- 4
P.E.I.	+ 23	+ 39	- 1	+ 15	+ 26	- 2	+ 19	+ 20	+ 18
N.S.	+ 23	+ 24	+ 20	+ 3	+ 5	- 3	+ 11	+ 10	+ 11
N.B.	+ 17	+ 21	+ 5	+ 10	+ 23	- 18	+ 23	+ 25	+ 20
Que.	+ 22	+ 26	+ 13	- 8	- 8	- 7	+ 18	+ 22	+ 8
Ont.	+ 21	+ 30	+ 8	- 13	- 17	- 4	+ 5	+ 4	+ 8
Man.	+ 31	+ 39	+ 19	- 17	- 27	+ 7	+ 57	+ 76	+ 23
Sask.	+ 39	+ 74	+ 6	- 19	- 26	- 7	+ 27	+ 44	+ 3
Alta.	+ 28	+ 37	+ 15	- 7	- 7	- 7	+ 41	+ 56	+ 20
B.C.	+ 34	+ 44	+ 17	- 12	- 14	- 5	+ 31	+ 39	+ 16

The claim intake increased during October, by about 50 per cent or more in all provinces except Prince Edward Island. The relative increase was generally higher in the Prairie provinces than elsewhere. The current claim volume exceeded that for October 1961 only in the Atlantic provinces.

Percentage Changes in Claims Filed

	<u>September to October 1962</u>			<u>October 1961 to October 1962</u>			<u>September to October 1961</u>		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 53	+ 58	+ 45	- 5	- 1	- 10	+ 30	+ 39	+ 17
Nfld.	+ 62	+ 64	+ 58	+ 29	+ 17	+ 58	+ 64	+ 76	+ 41
P.E.I.	+ 34	+ 43	+ 20	+ 16	+ 11	+ 25	+ 62	+ 85	+ 27
N.S.	+ 54	+ 68	+ 35	+ 15	+ 21	+ 7	+ 14	+ 25	+ 1
N.B.	+ 51	+ 59	+ 40	+ 16	+ 20	+ 9	+ 47	+ 53	+ 38
Que.	+ 50	+ 50	+ 50	- 4	- 2	- 8	+ 42	+ 47	+ 34
Ont.	+ 51	+ 57	+ 42	- 6	+ 1	- 17	+ 8	+ 18	- 5
Man.	+ 63	+ 57	+ 75	- 16	- 17	- 13	+ 65	+ 69	+ 59
Sask.	+ 106	+ 128	+ 66	- 22	- 19	- 28	+ 60	+ 65	+ 49
Alta.	+ 65	+ 74	+ 51	- 9	- 8	- 12	+ 71	+ 81	+ 55
B.C.	+ 49	+ 58	+ 37	- 7	- 6	- 9	+ 42	+ 47	+ 34

Industrial Classification of Persons Filing Initial(1) Claims
for Unemployment Insurance during September 1962

Some 55,500 or over 90 per cent of initial claims filed during September represented separations from employment during the month. The current survey thus covers a substantially greater proportion of the initial claims than during the months when claimants can requalify for seasonal benefit. Last March, for example, only 60 per cent of the initial claims filed were classed as new cases.

Thirty per cent of the September claims were from persons employed in manufacturing, while trade and service together accounted for 33 per cent. Between 10 and 15 per cent of the claims were from the construction industry.

(1) Data cover new cases only, i.e. they exclude initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits. Such exclusions accounted for approximately eight per cent of the initial claims filed in September.

Percentage Distribution of Claims by Industry and Province, September 1962

<u>Industry group</u>	<u>Canada</u>	<u>Nfld.</u>	<u>P.E.I.</u>	<u>N.S.</u>	<u>N.B.</u>	<u>Que.</u>	<u>Ont.</u>	<u>Man.</u>	<u>Sask.</u>	<u>Alta.</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
Total new cases (000's)	55.5	1.2	(1)	2.0	2.0	16.8	19.2	2.3	1.1	3.2	7.6
Per cent distribution											
Forestry (mainly logging)	3	5	-	3	5	4	1	1	-	2	7
Fishing and trapping	(2)	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Mining	2	2	-	3	2	1	2	2	3	7	2
Manufacturing	30	21	6	25	23	37	33	21	12	14	24
Construction	14	16	13	15	14	16	12	10	10	15	16
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	8	16	23	9	15	5	7	13	9	7	10
Trade	18	15	22	21	18	16	19	19	26	20	13
Service	15	9	13	10	9	13	15	21	23	20	17
Public Administration and Defence	6	14	18	9	10	4	5	8	10	9	4
Other	5	1	4	3	4	4	6	6	8	6	6
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

(1) Less than 500 cases.

(2) Less than one-half of one per cent.

In Quebec and Ontario the proportion from manufacturing was higher than at the national level, while the reverse was true elsewhere. In the Prairie provinces, claims from the trade and service industries were relatively more important than in the other areas.

In the table which follows, September data are shown together with those for previous quarterly interval dates.

Percentage Distribution of Claims by Industry

<u>Industry group</u>	<u>September 1962</u>	<u>June 1962</u>	<u>March 1962</u>	<u>December 1961</u>
Total new cases (000's)	55.5	50.7	93.1	231.6
Per cent distribution				
Forestry (mainly logging)	3	2	17	7
Fishing and trapping	(1)	(1)	1	5
Mining	2	2	3	2
Manufacturing	30	33	25	25
Construction	14	11	15	24
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	8	9	8	12
Trade	18	17	14	10
Service	15	15	10	8
Public Administration and Defence	6	7	4	6
Other	5	4	3	3

(1) Less than one-half of one per cent.

This table indicates that claims from manufacturing are relatively more important during months of low claim. Claims from trade and service show a somewhat similar pattern. On the other hand, when climatic conditions reduce employment in construction, claims from this industry are more significant than during periods of high employment. Seasonal disemployment in the logging industry was evident from the March claims.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary Table

Activity	Oct. 1962	Sept. 1962	Oct. 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Sept. 1962	Oct. 1961	January to October		12 months ending October	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	3,893	3,940	..	..	..	4,045*	..	4,068*
Initial and renewal claims filed	150	98	158	+ 53	- 5	1,625	1,850	2,235	2,603
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	244	198	269	+ 23	- 9	400*	486*	416*	508*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	153	143	173	+ 7	- 12	357*	446*	342*	428*
Weeks compensated	673	542	728	+ 24	- 8	14,867	18,638	16,965	21,475
Benefit paid	\$ 15,754	12,664	17,115	+ 24	- 8	359,187	443,585	409,573	509,935
Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.42	23.36	23.52	-	-	24.16	23.80	24.14	23.75

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - September	3,893,000	3,695,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200
November	4,023,000	3,637,000	386,000
October	3,940,000	3,671,300	268,700
September	3,913,000	3,683,800	229,200

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Prov.	1962 - October - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	150,444	95,524	54,920	158,060	96,870	61,190
Nfld.	3,610	2,328	1,282	2,797	1,986	811
P.E.I.	445	293	152	385	263	122
N.S.	6,389	4,020	2,369	5,549	3,333	2,216
N.B.	5,832	3,669	2,163	5,045	3,057	1,988
Que.	44,318	27,681	16,637	46,260	28,130	18,130
Ont.	50,915	32,609	18,306	54,436	32,429	22,007
Man.	6,001	3,830	2,171	7,109	4,615	2,494
Sask.	3,623	2,577	1,046	4,648	3,194	1,454
Alta.	8,881	5,809	3,072	9,782	6,286	3,496
B.C.	20,430	12,708	7,722	22,049	13,577	8,472

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 40,592.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)							Percent- age Postal	October 31, 1961 total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
	October 31, 1962									
CANADA -	244,140	93,324	33,993	39,314	21,303	14,126	9,996	32,084	30.0	268,682
MALE	165,316	70,508	24,620	25,101	12,942	7,794	5,152	19,199	30.9	185,454
FEMALE	78,824	22,816	9,373	14,213	8,361	6,332	4,844	12,885	28.1	83,228
Nfld.	6,063	1,486	807	948	722	397	296	1,407	63.0	5,461
Male	5,232	1,380	758	811	595	314	224	1,150	63.5	4,513
Female	831	106	49	137	127	83	72	257	59.7	948
P.E.I.	880	214	175	188	84	43	34	142	58.3	765
Male	593	167	123	119	48	27	24	85	62.1	471
Female	287	47	52	69	36	16	10	57	50.5	294
N.S.	12,526	3,923	1,602	2,028	1,482	640	583	2,268	41.4	12,134
Male	9,812	3,192	1,333	1,550	1,125	477	410	1,725	42.0	9,332
Female	2,714	731	269	478	357	163	173	543	39.4	2,802
N.B.	10,242	3,614	1,387	1,699	957	646	461	1,478	51.2	9,272
Male	7,969	3,049	1,069	1,307	712	427	313	1,092	53.9	6,484
Female	2,273	565	318	392	245	219	148	386	41.9	2,788
Que.	73,359	28,341	9,896	12,318	6,298	4,528	3,080	8,898	26.4	79,590
Male	51,038	21,706	7,331	8,637	3,973	2,585	1,632	5,174	26.4	55,591
Female	22,321	6,635	2,565	3,681	2,325	1,943	1,448	3,724	26.6	23,999
Ont.	78,959	31,019	11,327	12,002	6,431	4,339	3,264	10,577	23.5	90,451
Male	49,967	22,543	7,814	6,727	3,509	2,184	1,378	5,812	22.8	60,316
Female	28,992	8,476	3,513	5,275	2,922	2,155	1,886	4,765	24.7	30,135
Man.	11,314	4,565	1,240	1,708	963	728	366	1,744	22.2	13,703
Male	7,129	3,171	825	1,048	503	383	221	978	23.6	9,782
Female	4,185	1,394	415	660	460	345	145	766	19.7	3,921
Sask.	5,941	2,360	842	893	481	305	277	783	41.1	7,356
Male	3,603	1,713	577	411	249	138	122	393	44.4	4,846
Female	2,338	647	265	482	232	167	155	390	36.0	2,510
Alta.	13,676	5,657	1,754	2,242	1,190	868	506	1,459	57.0	14,717
Male	8,804	4,238	1,195	1,158	597	450	257	909	59.6	9,474
Female	4,872	1,419	559	1,084	593	418	249	550	52.2	5,243
B.C.	31,180	12,145	4,963	5,288	2,695	1,632	1,129	3,328	24.9	35,233
Male	21,169	9,349	3,595	3,333	1,631	809	571	1,881	26.5	24,645
Female	10,011	2,796	1,368	1,955	1,064	823	558	1,447	21.4	10,588

B.C.: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>October - 1962</u>							
Canada -	131,265	49,066	42,824	33,649	5,726	33,010	17,057
Nfld.	3,035	1,080	955	878	122	893	457
P.E.I.	394	163	130	88	13	108	42
N.S.	5,640	2,198	1,941	1,313	188	1,322	689
N.B.	5,048	1,955	1,710	1,174	209	1,265	703
Que.	38,930	15,324	12,879	8,972	1,755	10,020	5,189
Ont.	45,523	17,188	14,517	11,798	2,020	10,468	5,437
Man.	5,412	1,859	1,861	1,477	215	1,217	597
Sask.	2,900	1,106	793	898	103	1,021	357
Alta.	6,439	2,298	1,980	1,898	263	2,919	1,385
B.C.	17,944	5,895	6,058	5,153	838	3,777	2,201

October - 1961

Canada -	146,330	51,689	50,948	37,588	6,105	30,557	17,327
Nfld.	2,302	816	605	803	78	714	268
P.E.I.	328	139	97	74	18	87	26
N.S.	5,137	1,796	1,884	1,255	202	1,005	536
N.B.	4,580	1,576	1,779	1,075	150	981	479
Que.	40,450	13,807	14,301	10,394	1,948	10,190	5,496
Ont.	54,723	19,773	19,288	13,248	2,414	10,071	5,932
Man.	6,157	2,467	1,830	1,652	208	886	839
Sask.	4,010	1,543	1,172	1,183	112	945	437
Alta.	8,292	3,141	2,686	2,211	254	1,760	1,114
B.C.	20,351	6,631	7,306	5,693	721	3,918	2,200

(1) In addition 42,804 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,938 were special requests not granted and 2,362 were appeals by claimants. There were 8,821 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table J. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during October 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962(1)	22,041	618	61	863	855	5,944	7,168	1,007	587	1,167	3,771
	1961	26,408	573	42	916	798	7,194	8,694	1,184	833	1,611	4,563
Claimants disqualified	1962	36,555	732	146	1,142	981	11,237	14,964	1,059	723	1,856	3,715
	1961	32,591	518	129	985	781	10,835	12,476	1,148	893	1,487	3,339
Not unemployed	1962	808	43	7	43	45	191	187	29	50	46	167
	1961	697	27	4	26	20	179	220	29	61	45	86
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	9,823	185	46	305	298	2,709	3,866	444	302	636	1,032
	1961	8,478	136	27	227	242	2,466	3,170	379	385	436	1,010
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	141	-	-	1	1	77	26	2	-	-	34
	1961	2,903	-	-	3	1	1,644	1,253	1	-	-	1
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,747	6	34	112	41	572	686	42	62	69	123
	1961	1,741	7	37	85	48	632	630	31	37	86	148
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,274	24	2	45	43	429	477	35	12	76	131
	1961	1,206	23	3	44	25	457	448	35	23	49	99
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	7,393	130	16	277	230	1,972	2,730	301	175	444	1,118
	1961	7,068	140	24	245	193	2,061	2,452	359	225	476	893
Other reasons	1962	15,369	344	41	359	323	5,287	6,992	206	122	585	1,110
	1961	10,498	185	34	355	252	3,396	4,303	314	162	395	1,102

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during October

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - October - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	152.9	173.3
Newfoundland	4.3	3.4
Prince Edward Island	0.6	0.5
Nova Scotia	8.4	8.4
New Brunswick	6.7	5.8
Quebec	45.7	51.2
Ontario	51.3	63.6
Manitoba	6.1	7.2
Saskatchewan	3.5	4.4
Alberta	7.6	7.9
British Columbia	18.8	21.0

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - October - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	672,646	15,753,741	727,724	17,115,047
Nfld.	18,869	430,840	14,126	302,577
P.E.I.	2,762	57,714	2,031	40,030
N.S.	36,873	832,660	35,380	799,782
N.B.	29,361	644,427	24,286	513,213
Que.	201,187	4,748,126	214,945	4,982,307
Ont.	225,508	5,261,250	267,220	6,421,034
Man.	26,892	619,286	30,058	695,539
Sask.	15,223	332,970	18,369	418,546
Alta.	33,452	800,286	32,998	788,271
B.C.	82,519	2,026,182	88,311	2,153,748

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings
<u>October - 1962</u>			
Canada -	609,904	62,742	45,564
Newfoundland	16,558	2,311	1,845
Prince Edward Island	2,511	251	212
Nova Scotia	31,312	5,561	4,668
New Brunswick	25,427	3,934	2,877
Quebec	183,227	17,960	11,760
Ontario	205,265	20,243	14,333
Manitoba	24,657	2,235	1,652
Saskatchewan	13,967	1,256	884
Alberta	30,587	2,865	2,017
British Columbia	76,393	6,126	5,316
<u>October - 1961</u>			
Canada -	659,029	68,695	49,174
Newfoundland	12,122	2,004	1,644
Prince Edward Island	1,871	160	122
Nova Scotia	30,232	5,148	4,112
New Brunswick	20,742	3,544	2,695
Quebec	196,654	18,291	11,915
Ontario	242,183	25,037	17,699
Manitoba	27,630	2,428	1,763
Saskatchewan	16,896	1,473	1,043
Alberta	30,179	2,819	1,980
British Columbia	80,520	7,791	6,201

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken, so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class 3 is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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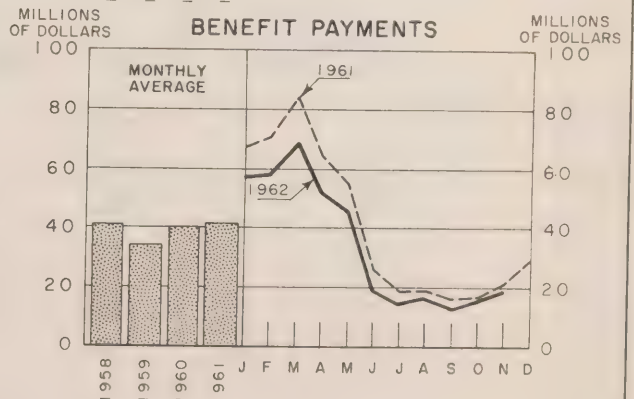
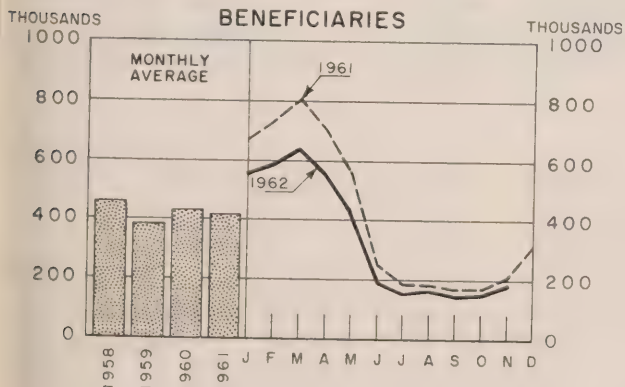
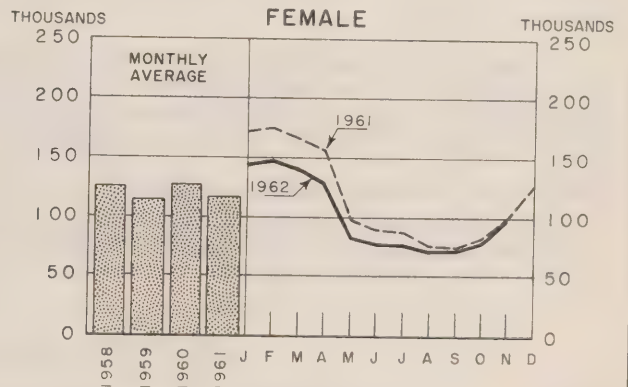
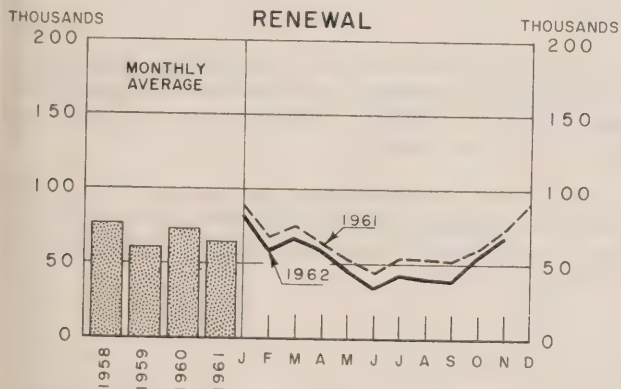
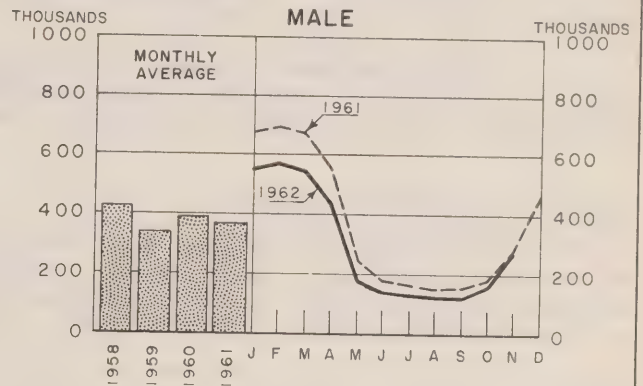
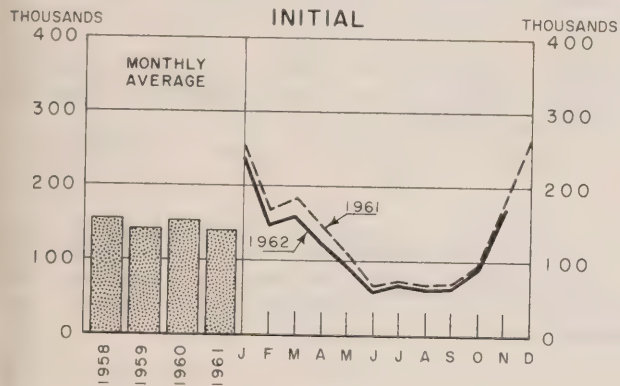
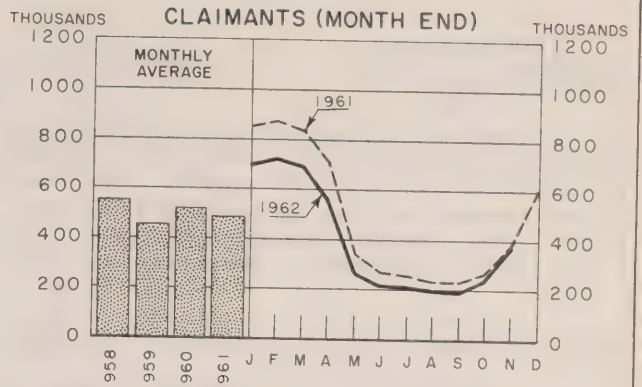
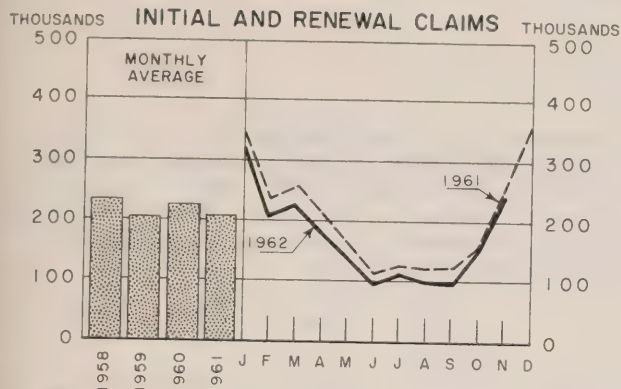
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For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

NOVEMBER 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit numbered 374,200 on November 30, up 130,000 from October 31 but about 12,000 below the total for the same date last year. Male claimants increased by 110,000 while the number of female claimants was about 20,000 greater than at the end of October. The preponderance of males is attributable mainly to the customary reduction in outside activities at this time of year. The year-over-year decline occurred in the male segment of the claimant group only. Some 12,000 of the current total were identified as seasonal benefit.(1)

Initial and Renewal claims: receipt and disposal

During November the claim volume totalled 243,600, almost 95,000 more than for October and 9,000 below that for November 1961.

Of the 175,700 initial claims filed during November, some 161,000 or 90 per cent were identified as separations from employment during the month, the remaining 15,000 claims comprising requests from claimants exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 189,000 for November, 152,900 for October and 209,800 for November 1961. Benefit payments totalled \$18.9 million during November in comparison with \$15.8 million during October and \$20.9 million during November 1961. The average weekly payment per week compensated was \$23.85 in November, \$23.42 in October and \$23.76 in November 1961.

Claims by province

The month-to-month increase in the claimant count was proportionately heaviest in Newfoundland Prince Edward Island and Saskatchewan. For all provinces, males increased at a markedly higher rate than females. The decline from November 30, 1961 occurred only in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia; all other provinces indicated higher totals this year.

- (1) Under the seasonal benefit provisions, claims processed after mid-November and failing the regular requirements are re-computed immediately for seasonal benefit and post-dated to November 25. However, seasonal benefit can not be paid for proven unemployment occurring prior to December 2 unless the claimant qualifies to have the waiting period waived.

Percentage Changes in Month-end Claimant Count

	October 31 to November 30, 1962			November 30, 1961 to November 30, 1962			October 31 to November 30, 1961		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 53	+ 66	+ 26	- 3	- 4	-	+ 44	+ 54	+ 20
Nfld.	+ 131	+ 143	+ 58	+ 2	+ 1	+ 13	+ 153	+ 180	+ 23
P.E.I.	+ 185	+ 223	+ 106	+ 35	+ 41	+ 20	+ 142	+ 188	+ 68
N.S.	+ 54	+ 63	+ 22	+ 4	+ 5	- 1	+ 53	+ 63	+ 19
N.B.	+ 76	+ 79	+ 64	+ 20	+ 25	+ 6	+ 61	+ 76	+ 26
Que.	+ 52	+ 61	+ 32	+ 4	+ 5	- 1	+ 35	+ 40	+ 24
Ont.	+ 39	+ 49	+ 22	- 10	- 14	+ 1	+ 35	+ 44	+ 16
Man.	+ 65	+ 99	+ 8	+ 1	+ 1	-	+ 35	+ 43	+ 15
Sask.	+ 96	+ 145	+ 21	- 16	- 18	- 7	+ 87	+ 122	+ 21
Alta.	+ 64	+ 87	+ 21	- 2	- 3	+ 3	+ 55	+ 79	+ 10
B.C.	+ 49	+ 61	+ 23	- 12	- 14	- 7	+ 49	+ 60	+ 25

The claim intake during November was more than double that for October in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. In comparison with one year ago, current totals are higher only in Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Quebec.

Percentage Changes in Claims Filed

	October to November 1962			November 1961 to November 1962			October to November 1961		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 62	+ 84	+ 24	- 4	- 2	- 8	+ 60	+ 84	+ 21
Nfld.	+ 166	+ 238	+ 35	- 2	- 6	+ 26	+ 249	+ 322	+ 70
P.E.I.	+ 347(1)	+ 468(1)	+ 114	+ 36	+ 38	+ 25	+ 281	+ 358	+ 113
N.S.	+ 70	+ 102	+ 17	- 1	+ 9	- 20	+ 98	+ 124	+ 57
N.B.	+ 104	+ 148	+ 30	+ 26	+ 27	+ 21	+ 88	+ 133	+ 17
Que.	+ 60	+ 82	+ 24	+ 6	+ 7	+ 3	+ 45	+ 67	+ 10
Ont.	+ 40	+ 53	+ 16	- 9	- 5	- 17	+ 44	+ 63	+ 16
Man.	+ 128	+ 164	+ 64	- 5	- 2	- 14	+ 103	+ 123	+ 65
Sask.	+ 136	+ 157	+ 83	- 12	- 8	- 24	+ 109	+ 125	+ 73
Alta.	+ 67	+ 78	+ 47	- 5	- 3	- 10	+ 60	+ 70	+ 42
B.C.	+ 47	+ 69	+ 9	- 16	- 18	- 11	+ 62	+ 93	+ 12

(1) The numbers involved are relatively small.

.. Not available.

- Nil.

Note: Commencing with this issue, claims from Sioux Lookout formerly included in the province of Ontario are included in Manitoba.

Summary Table

Activity	Nov. 1962	Oct. 1962	Nov. 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Oct. 1962	Nov. 1961	January to November		12 months ending November	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,040	4,023	..	..	..	4,043*	..	4,060*
Initial and renewal claims filed	244	150	253	+ 62	- 4	1,868	2,103	2,226	2,551
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	374	244	386	+ 53	- 3	398*	477*	415*	500*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	189	153	210	+ 24	- 10	342*	425*	340*	423*
Weeks compensated	794	673	881	+ 18	- 10	15,661	19,519	16,878	21,210
Benefit paid	\$ 18,934	15,754	20,938	+ 20	- 10	378,121	464,524	407,569	504,289
Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.85	23.42	23.76	+ 2	-	24.14	23.80	24.15	23.78

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - October	4,040,000	3,795,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200
November	4,023,000	3,637,000	386,000
October	3,940,000	3,671,300	268,700

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Prov.	1962 - November - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	243,563	175,672	67,891	252,551	178,400	74,151
Nfld.	9,599	7,863	1,736	9,762	8,380	1,382
P.E.I.	1,990	1,664	326	1,465	1,205	260
N.S.	10,891	8,115	2,776	10,964	7,476	3,488
N.B.	11,913	9,091	2,822	9,466	7,136	2,330
Que.	70,944	50,344	20,600	67,055	47,047	20,008
Ont.	71,210	49,987	21,223	78,401	52,819	25,582
Man.	13,675	10,110	3,565	14,397	10,270	4,127
Sask.	8,533	6,621	1,912	9,704	7,188	2,516
Alta.	14,846	10,345	4,501	15,687	10,710	4,977
B.C.	29,962	21,532	8,430	35,650	26,169	9,481

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 35,639.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)							Percent- age Postal	November 30, 1961 Total claimants
		2 or Less	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	Over 20		
		November 30, 1962								
CANADA -	374,191	180,702	50,585	55,354	29,112	16,526	10,350	31,562	34.8	385,964
MALE	274,881	142,869	39,099	40,198	18,240	9,892	5,789	18,794	37.0	286,374
FEMALE	99,310	37,833	11,486	15,156	10,872	6,634	4,561	12,768	28.6	99,590
Nfld.	14,032	7,268	2,093	1,864	844	491	356	1,116	74.6	13,810
Male	12,720	6,873	1,951	1,708	692	388	265	843	75.9	12,647
Female	1,312	395	142	156	152	103	91	273	62.0	1,163
P.E.I.	2,504	1,582	286	283	137	63	29	124	71.1	1,850
Male	1,914	1,225	229	208	103	43	20	86	73.5	1,357
Female	590	357	57	75	34	20	9	38	63.6	493
N.S.	19,320	8,610	2,349	2,762	1,661	1,125	522	2,291	47.6	18,546
Male	15,998	7,382	1,934	2,348	1,270	852	392	1,820	48.7	15,203
Female	3,322	1,228	415	414	391	273	130	471	42.3	3,343
N.B.	17,990	9,354	2,410	2,335	1,239	783	436	1,433	59.8	14,962
Male	14,269	7,564	2,030	1,820	928	587	303	1,037	60.9	11,436
Female	3,721	1,790	380	515	311	196	133	396	55.6	3,526
Que.	111,469	52,759	16,139	16,274	8,851	4,929	3,318	9,199	30.0	107,561
Male	82,014	41,558	12,548	11,792	5,978	3,073	1,788	5,277	31.3	77,910
Female	29,455	11,201	3,591	4,482	2,873	1,856	1,530	3,922	26.3	29,651
Ont.	109,821	51,644	13,969	17,386	8,800	4,860	2,956	10,206	24.9	121,689
Male	74,468	38,302	9,925	11,861	4,859	2,530	1,487	5,504	25.2	86,773
Female	35,353	13,342	4,044	5,525	3,941	2,330	1,469	4,702	24.3	34,916
Man.	18,705	9,541	2,861	2,605	1,217	705	409	1,367	27.2	18,497
Male	14,190	7,763	2,320	1,809	786	367	244	901	30.3	13,989
Female	4,515	1,778	541	796	431	338	165	466	17.3	4,508
ask.	11,641	6,291	1,541	1,536	741	392	258	882	48.8	13,790
Male	8,813	5,429	1,296	990	349	165	127	457	52.2	10,759
Female	2,828	862	245	546	392	227	131	425	38.4	3,031
Ita.	22,393	11,798	2,930	3,124	1,606	934	552	1,449	60.0	22,738
Male	16,474	9,669	2,288	2,237	714	451	276	839	64.6	16,968
Female	5,919	2,129	642	887	892	483	276	610	47.4	5,770
.C.	46,316	21,855	6,007	7,185	4,016	2,244	1,514	3,495	28.0	52,521
Male	34,021	17,104	4,578	5,425	2,561	1,436	887	2,030	30.3	39,332
Female	12,295	4,751	1,429	1,760	1,455	808	627	1,465	21.7	13,189

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>November - 1962</u>							
Canada -	194,160	92,036	57,852	38,436	5,836	78,210	21,260
Nfld.	5,728	3,010	1,455	1,131	132	4,615	606
P.E.I.	1,090	627	251	189	23	956	94
N.S.	8,277	4,043	2,301	1,571	362	3,823	802
N.B.	9,059	4,784	2,545	1,567	163	4,005	817
Que.	57,810	27,914	17,608	10,475	1,813	21,975	6,368
Ont.	59,723	27,257	18,164	12,253	2,049	20,932	6,442
Man.	9,503	4,688	2,764	1,851	200	4,801	1,203
Sask.	5,644	3,043	1,352	1,144	105	3,455	812
Alta.	12,130	5,673	3,840	2,338	279	5,253	1,767
B.C.	25,196	10,997	7,572	5,917	710	8,395	2,349

November - 1961

Canada -	212,546	93,039	66,425	46,953	6,129	68,965	18,924
Nfld.	6,603	4,272	1,050	1,179	102	3,643	498
P.E.I.	781	452	182	133	14	707	90
N.S.	8,377	3,780	3,131	1,257	209	3,444	684
N.B.	7,327	3,766	2,065	1,352	144	2,999	600
Que.	57,131	24,869	18,130	12,164	1,968	20,204	5,406
Ont.	68,822	28,808	23,213	14,484	2,317	19,598	5,984
Man.	11,843	5,933	3,537	2,143	230	3,080	1,199
Sask.	7,935	3,834	2,111	1,861	129	2,438	713
Alta.	13,732	6,116	4,453	2,871	292	3,483	1,346
B.C.	29,995	11,209	8,553	9,509	724	9,369	2,404

(1) In addition 35,517 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,615 were special requests not granted and 2,353 were appeals by claimants. There were 8,943 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during November 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1962 (1)	26,336	820	136	1,029	1,188	7,017	7,976	1,333	789	1,539	4,509
	1961	35,593	918	84	879	1,023	8,696	10,307	1,653	1,437	2,192	8,404
Claimants disqualified	1962	31,445	733	138	1,364	891	9,669	11,518	1,177	688	1,828	3,439
	1961	31,204	601	100	959	839	10,296	11,773	1,279	810	1,441	3,106
Not unemployed	1962	899	35	8	173	51	176	186	46	57	64	103
	1961	843	32	4	39	27	193	260	65	81	64	78
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	9,383	184	41	278	277	2,678	3,521	475	297	567	1,065
	1961	8,864	159	30	233	228	2,529	3,422	590	275	411	987
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	227	-	-	9	-	78	57	1	-	-	82
	1961	1,982	-	-	2	3	1,575	373	-	-	-	29
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,405	21	9	61	22	465	605	24	34	65	99
	1961	1,525	8	13	80	37	534	642	35	23	57	96
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,522	31	4	68	40	579	506	48	22	74	150
	1961	1,469	24	3	57	51	518	564	41	32	69	110
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	7,755	212	30	383	224	2,123	2,567	354	197	574	1,091
	1961	7,375	157	29	242	214	2,264	2,455	366	228	530	890
Other reasons	1962	10,254	250	46	392	277	3,570	4,076	229	81	484	849
	1961	9,146	221	21	306	279	2,683	4,057	182	171	310	916
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during November												
	1962	3,715	133	16	137	210	1,158	1,174	126	61	174	526

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - November - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	189.0	209.8
Newfoundland	5.6	4.2
Prince Edward Island	0.8	0.6
Nova Scotia	9.6	9.7
New Brunswick	8.5	7.8
Quebec	56.4	60.1
Ontario	61.0	71.3
Manitoba	9.2	10.4
Saskatchewan	5.0	6.7
Alberta	10.2	11.8
British Columbia	22.8	27.2

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - November - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	793,921	18,933,673	881,230	20,938,313
Nfld.	23,546	554,733	17,435	385,140
P.E.I.	3,244	67,271	2,639	53,833
N.S.	40,216	895,052	40,534	911,350
N.B.	35,754	798,324	32,962	698,283
Que.	236,735	5,654,041	252,564	5,864,116
Ont.	256,303	6,094,820	299,659	7,331,052
Man.	38,581	921,087	43,733	1,029,893
Sask.	20,812	486,673	27,940	641,919
Alta.	43,017	1,045,647	49,636	1,181,896
B.C.	95,713	2,416,025	114,128	2,840,831

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

November - 1962

Canada -	716,358	77,563	55,630
Newfoundland	20,283	3,263	2,639
Prince Edward Island	2,905	339	246
Nova Scotia	34,057	6,159	5,088
New Brunswick	31,081	4,673	3,424
Quebec	214,132	22,603	14,916
Ontario	232,653	23,650	16,673
Manitoba	35,176	3,405	2,297
Saskatchewan	19,097	1,715	1,191
Alberta	38,943	4,074	2,873
British Columbia	88,031	7,682	6,283

November - 1961

Canada -	797,457	83,773	58,856
Newfoundland	14,927	2,508	2,060
Prince Edward Island	2,385	254	192
Nova Scotia	34,684	5,850	4,451
New Brunswick	28,336	4,626	3,447
Quebec	229,020	23,544	15,433
Ontario	271,678	27,981	19,272
Manitoba	40,072	3,661	2,491
Saskatchewan	25,669	2,271	1,550
Alberta	45,213	4,423	2,906
British Columbia	105,473	8,655	7,054

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices **as** at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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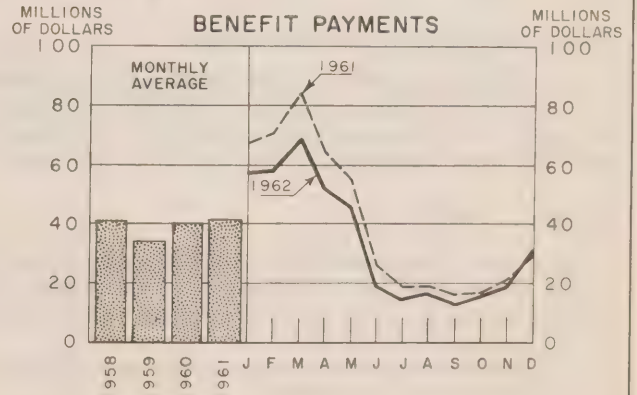
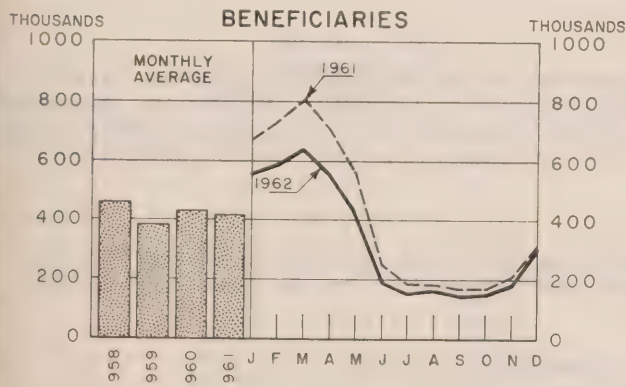
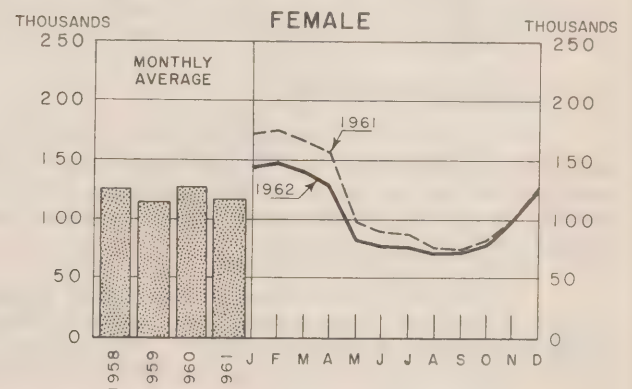
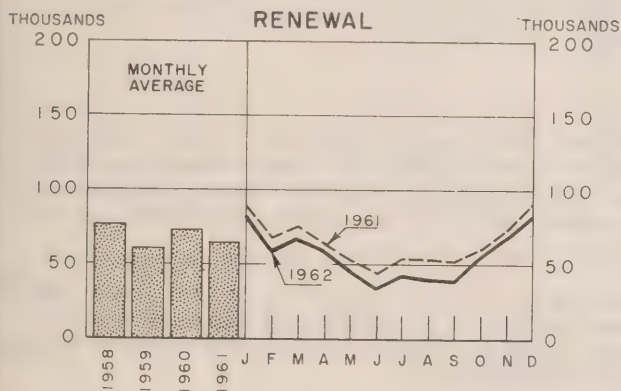
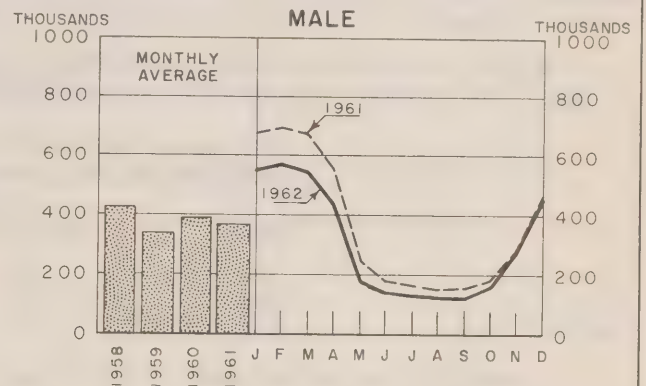
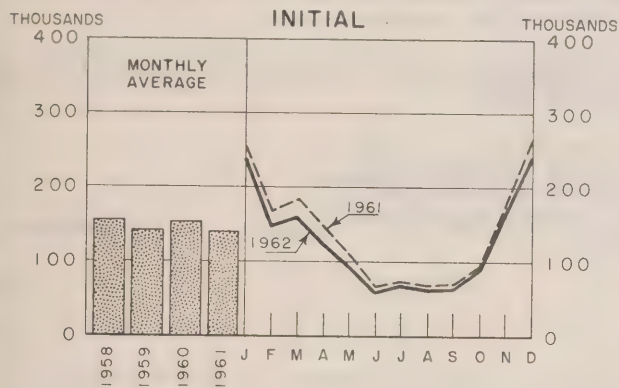
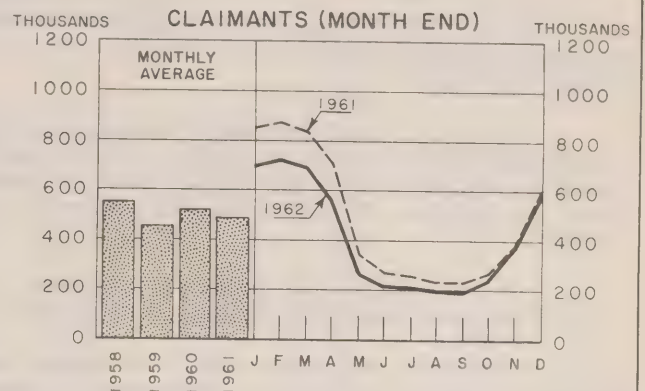
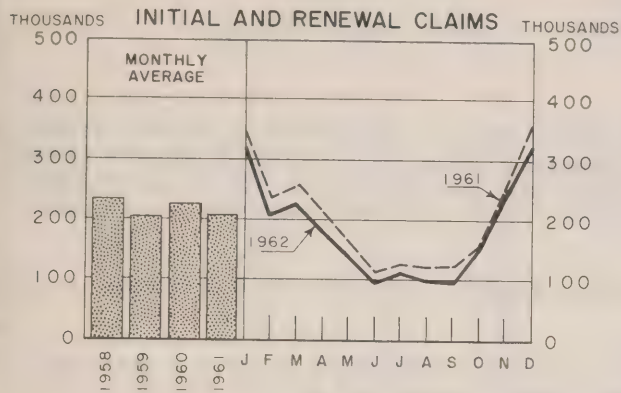
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Historical data since 1941 are contained in the July 1961 issue in this series, while annual data for the calendar years 1961 and 1960 are included in the January 1962 issue in this series.

For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

DECEMBER 1962

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on December 31, 1962 numbered 592,000, virtually unchanged from the same date in 1961. These totals comprise regular and seasonal(1) benefit claimants numbering 496,600 and 95,300 respectively at December 31, 1962 and 492,700 and 108,500 on December 29, 1961. On November 30, 1962 claimants numbered 374,200 of whom 12,000 were identified as seasonal benefit.

At the beginning of December, claimants comprised about 10 per cent of the estimated insured population, unchanged from the same date in 1961.

Commencing with this issue, the categories of "weeks on claim" shown in Table 3 have been revised. Hitherto, persons on continuous(2) claim more than 20 weeks were grouped together; the present arrangement provides more information on the duration of long-term cases.

Over 90 per cent of the December 31, 1962 male claimants came on claim during the last quarter of 1962. For females the proportion was only about 80 per cent.

Percentage distribution of claimants by number of weeks during which they were on continuous claim

	<u>Total</u>	<u>13 or less</u>	<u>14-26</u>	<u>27-39</u>	<u>40 and over</u>
Total	100	88	8	3	1
Male	100	91	6	2	1
Female	100	79	14	5	2

Between 85 and 90 per cent of the increased claimant volume on December 31 was accounted for by males. Close to 80 per cent of the December 31, 1962 total were males, unchanged from the year prior but about 5 percentage points more than on November 30, 1962.

Initial and renewal claims

A total of 323,800 initial and renewal claims were filed during December, 10 per cent fewer than for December 1961 but 33 per cent above the November total of 243,600. The November-to-December increase is due, in part, to the operation of the seasonal benefit provisions. Between 40 and 45 per cent of the claims established during December were authorized by virtue of the application of the seasonal benefit provisions.

Of the 241,100 initial claims filed during December, close to 30,000 (or 12 per cent) were in respect of persons terminating their benefit rights and seeking re-establishment of credits under either regular or seasonal benefit. The volume of such cases in December was double that for November (14,600) when eight per cent of initial claims were thus classified.

Beneficiaries and Benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 316,700 for December, 189,000 for November and 320,200 for December 1961. Benefit payments totalled \$31.1 million during December in comparison with \$18.9 million during November and \$29.4 million during December 1961. The average weekly payment per week compensated was \$24.54 in December, \$23.85 in November and \$24.20 in December 1961.

Claims by province

The November-to-December percentage increases in the month-end claimant count were substantially greater in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island than elsewhere. The decline from December 1961 occurred only in those provinces west of Quebec.

- (1) A brief explanation covering seasonal benefit is presented on page 13.
(2) See "Glossary of terms".

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	November 30 to December 31, 1962			December 29, 1961 to December 31, 1962			November 30 to December 29, 1961		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 58	+ 69	+ 29	- 2	- 2	- 1	+ 56	+ 65	+ 30
Nfld.	+ 135	+ 143	+ 62	+ 18	+ 17	+ 38	+ 102	+ 108	+ 32
P.E.I.	+ 140	+ 162	+ 68	+ 2	+ 2	+ 1	+ 219	+ 263	+ 99
N.S.	+ 60	+ 66	+ 32	+ 2	+ 2	+ 5	+ 63	+ 72	+ 25
N.B.	+ 72	+ 80	+ 44	+ 6	+ 7	+ 3	+ 95	+ 110	+ 47
Que.	+ 61	+ 72	+ 30	+ 3	+ 4	- 2	+ 62	+ 74	+ 32
Ont.	+ 52	+ 64	+ 29	- 6	- 8	- 2	+ 47	+ 53	+ 32
Man.	+ 54	+ 60	+ 37	- 7	- 10	+ 1	+ 69	+ 79	+ 36
Sask.	+ 72	+ 88	+ 23	- 8	- 8	- 9	+ 58	+ 66	+ 27
Alta.	+ 31	+ 41	+ 2	- 8	- 9	- 5	+ 40	+ 50	+ 10
B.C.	+ 43	+ 49	+ 27	- 5	- 7	-	+ 33	+ 39	+ 18

The November-to-December increases are influenced upward by the operation of the seasonal benefit provisions, particularly in the Atlantic provinces.

	Percentage of claims established in December and identified as Seasonal Benefit		Percentage of December 31 claimants identified as Seasonal Benefit	
	1962	1961	1962	1961
Canada	42	46	16	18
Nfld.	74	73	37	39
P.E.I.	72	68	36	41
N.S.	58	56	22	24
N.B.	61	59	26	30
Que.	37	41	14	17
Ont.	34	39	12	14
Man.	35	38	16	15
Sask.	35	39	13	15
Alta.	30	34	10	12
B.C.	47	52	17	21

Percentage changes in claims filed during December, by province and by type of claim, are as follows:

Percentage changes in claims filed

	November to December 1962			December 1961 to December 1962			November to December 1961		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 33	+ 37	+ 22	- 10	- 9	- 10	+ 42	+ 49	+ 24
Nfld.	+ 97	+ 117	+ 7	+ 1	-	+ 11	+ 93	+ 105	+ 21
P.E.I.	+ 100	+ 117	+ 14	- 8	- 8	- 1	+ 195	+ 228	+ 45
N.S.	+ 46	+ 56	+ 19	- 16	- 15	- 22	+ 74	+ 98	+ 21
N.B.	+ 39	+ 48	+ 10	- 11	- 14	+ 4	+ 97	+ 120	+ 28
Que.	+ 43	+ 47	+ 35	- 5	- 6	- 2	+ 60	+ 67	+ 43
Ont.	+ 33	+ 32	+ 35	- 10	- 10	- 10	+ 34	+ 39	+ 25
Man.	+ 5	+ 10	- 9	- 9	- 6	- 19	+ 10	+ 15	- 2
Sask.	+ 28	+ 31	+ 16	- 11	- 7	- 22	+ 25	+ 30	+ 13
Alta.	- 5	-	- 17	- 18	- 16	- 22	+ 9	+ 15	- 4
B.C.	+ 10	+ 14	-	- 16	- 15	- 20	+ 11	+ 10	+ 12

Table 3a presents information on numbers of claimants identified as seasonal benefit while 3b shows the number of such claimants eligible by virtue of fishing contributions.

Comparison of year-over-year data indicate that while the overall count of seasonal benefit claimants is down, those classed as fishing seasonal benefit are up. Most of the year-over-year increases occurred in Newfoundland.

Percentage distribution of claimants by province,
showing relative importance of fishing seasonal
benefit in each province, December 31, 1962

	<u>Per cent distribution of claimants</u>			Fishing S.B. claimants as a per cent of all S.B. claimants
	S.B.	F.S.B.	Non-fishing S.B.	
Canada	100	100	100	20
Nfld.	13	48	4	77
P.E.I.	2	6	1	56
N.S.	7	11	6	31
N.B.	8	13	7	31
Que.	26	4	32	3
Ont.	21	2	26	1
Man.	5	-	6	1
Sask.	3	-	3	-
Alta.	3	-	4	-
B.C.	12	17	11	29

Almost half the fishing seasonal benefit claimants are in Newfoundland but only four per cent of other Seasonal Benefit claimants are located in that province. Conversely, Quebec and Ontario account for well over half non-fishing Seasonal Benefit claimants but only six per cent of fishing claimants.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary Table

Activity	Dec. 1962	Nov. 1962	Dec. 1961	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Nov. 1962	Dec. 1961	January to December		12 months ending December	
						1962	1961	1962	1961
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,118	4,139	..	..	..	4,051*	..	4,051*
Initial and renewal claims filed	324	244	358	+ 33	- 10	2,192	2,460	2,192	2,460
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	592	374	601	+ 58**	- 2	414*	487*	414*	487*
Regular	497	362	493	+ 37	+ 1				
S.B.	95	12	109	**	- 12				
S.B. Fishing	19	..	17	**	+ 14				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	317	189	320	+ 68	- 1	340*	416*	340*	416*
Weeks compensated	1,267	794	1,217	+ 60	+ 4	16,928	20,735	16,928	20,735
Benefit paid	\$ 31,087	18,934	29,447	+ 64	+ 6	409,208	493,971	409,208	493,971
Average weekly benefit	\$ 24.54	23.85	24.20	+ 3	+ 1	24.17	23.82	24.17	23.82

* Monthly average.

** November to December comparisons affected by commencement of seasonal benefit on November 26.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - November	4,118,000	3,743,800	374,200(1)
October	3,991,000	3,746,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200
November	4,023,000	3,637,000	386,000

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (2)

Prov.	1962 - December - 1961					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	323,844	241,050	82,794	357,873	265,868	92,005
Nfld.	18,943	17,094	1,849	18,832	17,162	1,670
P.E.I.	3,985	3,613	372	4,325	3,948	377
N.S.	15,937	12,632	3,305	19,024	14,801	4,223
N.B.	16,564	13,446	3,118	18,694	15,709	2,985
Que.	101,666	73,773	27,893	107,304	78,724	28,580
Ont.	94,379	65,794	28,585	105,107	73,230	31,877
Man.	14,400	11,149	3,251	15,867	11,839	4,028
Sask.	10,883	8,658	2,225	12,175	9,325	2,850
Alta.	14,042	10,301	3,741	17,060	12,278	4,782
B.C.	33,045	24,590	8,455	39,485	28,852	10,633

- (1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants.
- (2) In addition, revised claims received numbered 35,325.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)					Percent- age Postal	December 29, 1961 Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27-39	40 or more		
	<u>December 31, 1962</u>							
CANADA -	591,965	362,042	161,725	45,912	15,926	6,360	39.6	601,210
MALE	464,007	299,926	122,814	27,456	9,645	4,166	42.1	472,040
FEMALE	127,958	62,116	38,911	18,456	6,281	2,194	30.3	129,170
Nfld.	32,985	24,590	6,254	925	479	737	80.6	27,909
Male	30,859	23,632	5,651	695	278	603	80.3	26,369
Female	2,126	958	603	230	201	134	85.2	1,540
P.E.I.	6,013	4,836	914	210	53	-	80.3	5,910
Male	5,024	4,119	734	144	27	-	81.6	4,927
Female	989	717	180	66	26	-	73.7	983
N.S.	30,896	19,036	7,707	2,871	1,000	282	56.8	30,259
Male	26,496	16,978	6,394	2,099	790	235	58.6	26,076
Female	4,400	2,058	1,313	772	210	47	46.4	4,183
N.B.	31,024	20,311	7,824	2,225	548	116	68.9	29,237
Male	25,661	17,155	6,415	1,606	415	70	70.2	24,043
Female	5,363	3,156	1,409	619	133	46	62.6	5,194
Que.	179,327	110,239	48,285	14,153	5,083	1,567	35.4	174,500
Male	141,076	91,416	36,979	8,653	3,072	956	37.8	135,317
Female	38,251	18,823	11,306	5,500	2,011	611	26.4	39,183
Ont.	167,299	99,021	47,936	13,703	4,490	2,149	24.8	178,629
Male	121,810	76,569	33,840	7,473	2,513	1,415	25.3	132,416
Female	45,489	22,452	14,096	6,230	1,977	734	23.4	46,213
Man.	28,844	14,080	9,680	3,045	1,455	584	36.3	31,175
Male	22,637	11,958	7,485	1,967	952	275	39.2	25,039
Female	6,207	2,122	2,195	1,078	503	309	25.8	6,136
Sask.	20,046	13,607	4,993	987	354	105	52.3	21,733
Male	16,555	11,794	4,035	472	193	61	55.9	17,898
Female	3,491	1,813	958	515	161	44	35.3	3,835
Alta.	29,237	15,652	10,269	2,438	645	233	60.0	31,826
Male	23,191	13,139	8,132	1,356	396	168	60.4	25,460
Female	6,046	2,513	2,137	1,082	249	65	58.5	6,366
B.C.	66,294	40,670	17,863	5,355	1,819	587	30.9	70,032
Male	50,698	33,166	13,149	2,991	1,009	383	33.0	54,495
Female	15,596	7,504	4,714	2,364	810	204	24.0	15,537

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>December - 1962</u>							
Canada -	292,071	179,345	67,627	39,769	5,330	100,146	31,097
fld.	14,503	11,365	1,314	1,697	127	8,647	1,014
E.I.	3,657	3,091	271	271	24	1,207	171
S.	14,016	9,545	2,614	1,668	189	5,242	1,304
B.	15,680	11,124	2,567	1,806	183	4,521	1,185
ue.	85,038	50,005	21,684	11,575	1,774	34,168	10,803
nt.	83,728	48,232	22,340	11,347	1,809	27,147	10,878
an.	15,771	9,935	3,308	2,300	228	3,715	918
ask.	10,340	6,753	1,942	1,523	122	3,837	973
lta.	15,951	9,400	3,925	2,327	299	3,827	1,284
C.	33,387	19,895	7,662	5,255	575	7,835	2,567

<u>December - 1961</u>							
Canada -	331,514	198,914	80,085	48,154	4,361	87,765	26,483
fld.	15,945	12,495	1,329	2,033	88	6,277	751
E.I.	4,107	3,300	346	441	20	914	101
S.	17,501	11,520	3,778	2,018	185	4,707	944
B.	17,641	12,637	2,522	2,256	226	3,815	837
ue.	93,881	54,432	24,009	14,273	1,167	30,223	8,810
nt.	97,562	54,348	27,693	13,933	1,588	24,547	8,580
an.	16,277	9,974	3,903	2,246	154	2,699	1,170
ask.	11,557	7,074	2,613	1,758	112	2,931	838
lta.	16,679	9,591	4,504	2,360	224	3,810	1,400
C.	40,364	23,543	9,388	6,836	597	7,842	3,052

(1) In addition 33,902 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,764 were special requests not granted and 2,193 were appeals by claimants. There were 10,366 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during December 1962 and 1961 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
benefit period not established	1962(1)	24,653	1,112	172	1,102	1,293	7,173	6,667	1,369	891	1,315	3,559
	1961	35,081	1,515	327	1,471	1,742	10,363	9,911	1,490	1,181	1,596	5,485
Claimants disqualified	1962	30,948	936	155	1,141	1,008	9,458	10,503	1,604	957	1,890	3,296
	1961	28,319	791	175	1,224	1,089	8,912	9,289	1,342	945	1,496	3,056
Not unemployed	1962	1,274	28	27	59	68	340	297	96	158	81	120
	1961	1,298	20	15	47	47	368	331	110	157	91	112
Not capable of and not available for work	1962	10,370	304	44	335	331	2,885	3,814	601	348	635	1,073
	1961	8,856	173	72	342	333	2,741	3,037	443	311	406	998
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1962	191	-	-	1	-	44	28	-	-	3	115
	1961	483	-	-	-	79	136	257	-	-	-	11
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1962	1,463	12	9	63	34	435	604	61	47	86	112
	1961	1,385	8	6	115	34	440	507	54	29	72	120
Discharged for misconduct	1962	1,444	27	2	50	40	460	512	78	38	105	132
	1961	1,467	17	3	54	42	565	498	46	30	76	136
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1962	7,456	228	32	250	217	2,234	2,179	514	260	586	956
	1961	6,514	200	34	245	248	2,164	1,811	357	216	476	763
Other reasons	1962	8,750	337	41	383	318	3,060	3,069	254	106	394	788
	1961	8,316	373	45	421	306	2,498	2,848	332	202	375	916
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during December												
	1962	4,862	194	51	210	312	1,367	1,511	231	139	229	618

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1962 - December - 1961	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	316.7	320.2
Newfoundland	10.7	7.2
Prince Edward Island	2.8	1.7
Nova Scotia	16.1	14.0
New Brunswick	16.0	11.8
Quebec	95.8	91.4
Ontario	94.8	105.9
Manitoba	15.2	17.1
Saskatchewan	9.9	11.7
Alberta	18.1	18.8
British Columbia	37.4	40.5

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1962 - December - 1961			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	1,266,735	31,086,589	1,216,603	29,447,393
Nfld.	42,599	1,036,182	27,362	651,515
P.E.I.	11,175	241,007	6,342	133,840
N.S.	64,242	1,438,226	53,304	1,222,566
N.B.	63,938	1,434,028	44,851	972,471
Que.	383,012	9,338,452	347,397	8,280,628
Ont.	379,024	9,316,331	402,489	9,789,182
Man.	60,824	1,524,574	65,008	1,602,108
Sask.	39,793	965,939	44,320	1,089,237
Alta.	72,389	1,847,732	71,535	1,772,277
B.C.	149,739	3,944,118	153,995	3,933,569

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

December - 1962

Canada -	1,165,912	100,823	68,681
Newfoundland	39,066	3,533	2,688
Prince Edward Island	10,260	915	676
Nova Scotia	57,262	6,980	5,451
New Brunswick	57,814	6,124	4,370
Quebec	350,935	32,077	20,257
Ontario	351,925	27,099	17,381
Manitoba	56,446	4,378	2,970
Saskatchewan	36,889	2,904	2,030
Alberta	66,549	5,840	3,648
British Columbia	138,766	10,973	9,210

December - 1961

Canada -	1,110,327	106,276	73,622
Newfoundland	24,403	2,959	2,301
Prince Edward Island	5,803	539	416
Nova Scotia	47,255	6,049	4,690
New Brunswick	39,178	5,673	3,918
Quebec	316,540	30,857	19,689
Ontario	367,766	34,723	23,689
Manitoba	59,969	5,039	3,512
Saskatchewan	41,225	3,095	2,080
Alberta	65,709	5,826	3,852
British Columbia	142,479	11,516	9,475

Seasonal Benefit, 1962-63 period

Provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 19, 1962 to mid-May 1963, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 3(1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their rights to seasonal benefit and wishing to be re-considered for benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks,(2) exhaustion will not occur before February 16.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class is based entirely on contributions during this period, i.e. since March 31, 1962. The authorization will be 5 full weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution(2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 19, 1962. The authorization will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate(3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen)(4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 26.
- (2) While the minimum entitlement on SBA claims is 13 weeks (SBB, 12 weeks) claims established subsequent to the week ending March 2, 1963 provide entitlement only for the number of weeks remaining between the date of establishment and May 18.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1962 - December - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	95,338	76,375	18,963	108,505	86,992	21,513
Nfld.	12,035	11,786	249	10,840	10,520	320
P.E.I.	2,162	1,817	345	2,442	2,051	391
N.S.	6,714	5,818	896	7,162	6,284	878
N.B.	8,048	6,529	1,519	8,659	7,053	1,606
Que.	25,120	20,023	5,097	28,819	22,433	6,386
Ont.	19,916	13,541	6,375	24,493	17,458	7,035
Man.	4,483	3,530	953	4,683	3,875	808
Sask.	2,523	2,099	424	3,242	2,707	535
Alta.	2,976	2,430	546	3,678	3,087	591
B.C.	11,361	8,802	2,559	14,487	11,524	2,963

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1962 - December - 1961					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	19,421	19,335	86	17,079	16,974	105
Nfld.	9,288	9,287	1	6,440	6,436	4
P.E.I.	1,208	1,169	39	1,368	1,319	49
N.S.	2,096	2,095	1	2,057	2,052	5
N.B.	2,497	2,485	12	2,282	2,261	21
Que.	755	753	2	682	681	1
Ont.	298	291	7	301	298	3
Man.	30	30	-	22	22	-
Sask.	2	2	-	2	2	-
Alta.	2	2	-	4	4	-
B.C.	3,245	3,221	24	3,921	3,899	22

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices **as** at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and **no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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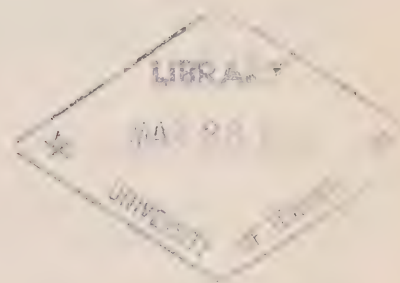


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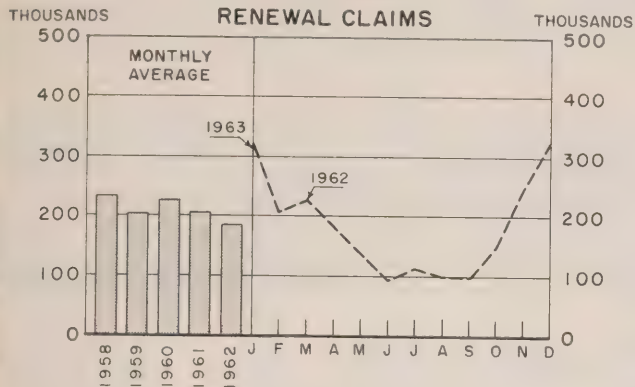
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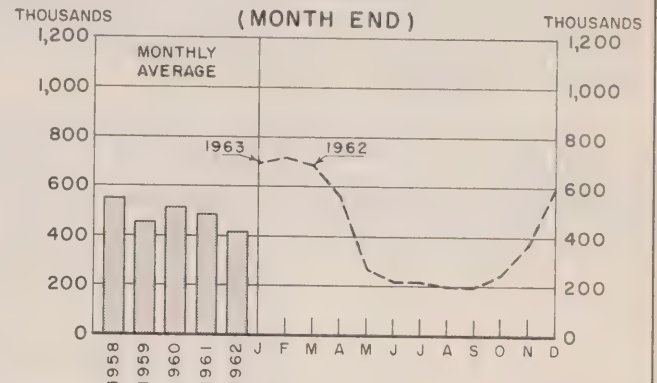
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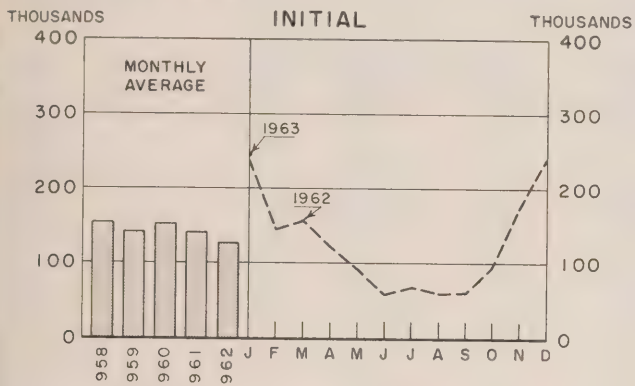
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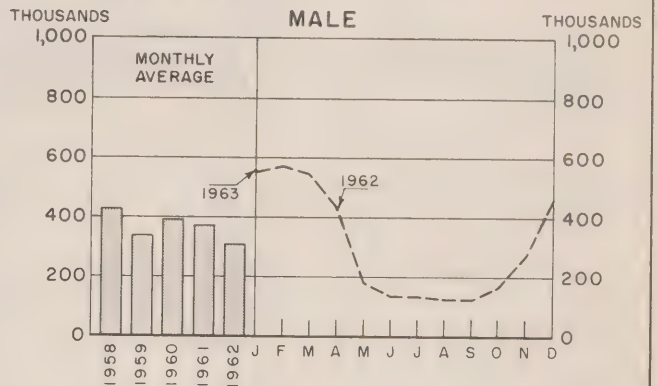
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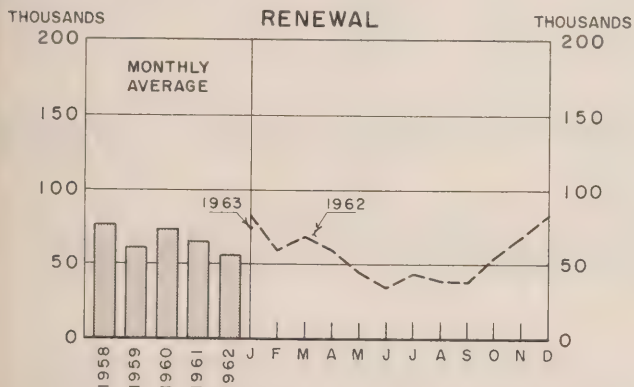
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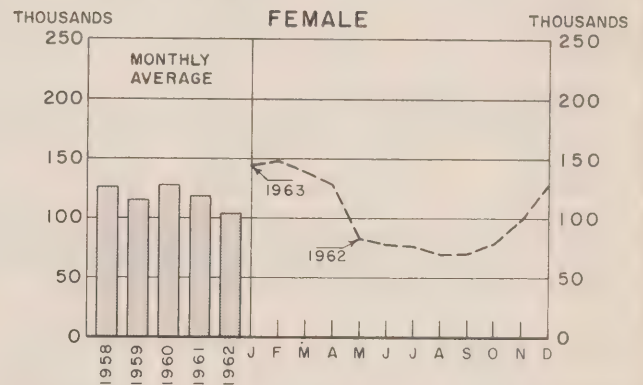
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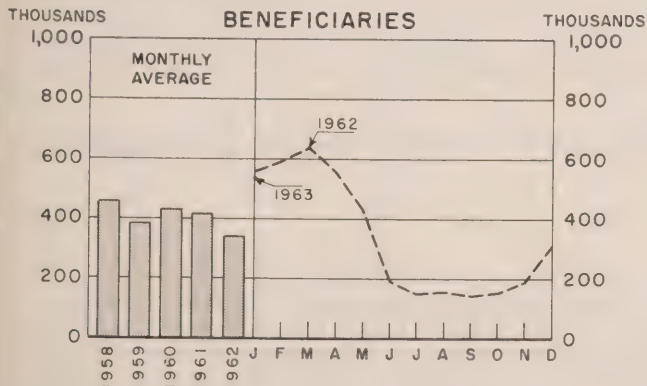
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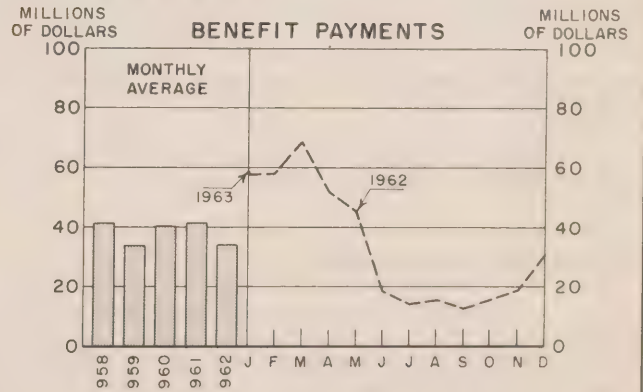
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BENEFIT PAYMENTS



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

JANUARY 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on January 31 numbered 703,100, approximately 20 per cent above the 592,000 for December 31 but unchanged from January 31, 1962. As is customary at this season of the year, the month-to-month increase was predominantly among the males. The absolute and percentage changes for the main components of the claimant group are as follows:

	<u>Jan. 31, 1963</u>		<u>Dec. 31, 1962</u>		<u>Dec. to Jan. Increase</u>			
	Total	Per cent distr.	Total	Per cent distr.	Total	Per cent distr.	Per cent incr.	Sex composition of incr.
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1. Total	703,081	100	591,965	100	111,116	100	+ 19	100
2. Males	557,740	79	464,007	78	93,733	84	+ 20	84
3. Females	145,341	21	127,958	22	17,383	16	+ 14	16
4. Regular(1)	543,802	77	496,627	84	47,175	42	+ 9	100
5. Males	428,901	61	387,632	65	41,269	37	+ 11	87
6. Females	114,901	16	108,995	18	5,906	5	+ 5	13
7. Seasonal benefit	159,279	23	95,338	16	63,941	58	+ 67	100
8. Males	128,839	18	76,375	13	52,464	47	+ 69	82
9. Females	30,440	4	18,963	3	11,477	10	+ 61	18
10. Non-fishing seasonal benefit	131,541	19	75,917	13	55,624	50	+ 73	100
11. Males	101,244	14	57,040	10	44,204	40	+ 77	79
12. Females	30,297	4	18,877	3	11,420	10	+ 60	21
13. Fishing seasonal benefit	27,738	4	19,421	3	8,317	7	+ 43	100
14. Males	27,595	4	19,335	3	8,260	7	+ 43	99
15. Females	143	-	86	-	57	-	+ 66	1

(1) This figure includes some claimants whose claims have not yet been completely processed. A number undoubtedly will qualify only for seasonal benefit. However, they are not identified as such until after the computation has been made.

Approximately 85 per cent of the increase was accounted for by males; for regular claimants, this per cent was 87 while for fishing seasonal benefit it was 99. Close to 60 per cent of the increased claimant volume occurred among claimants identified as "seasonal benefit" (Col. (6), line 7), only slightly over 40 per cent as "regular" (Col. (6), line 4). Regular male claimants comprised a smaller proportion of all claimants on January 31 than on December 31, but the reverse was true for male seasonal benefit.

Between 40 and 45 per cent of the current claimants were classed as postal in comparison with slightly under 40 per cent one year ago.

Initial and Renewal Claims

A total of 319,400 initial and renewal claims were filed during January, virtually unchanged from December 1962 or from January 1962. Of this total, some 265,500 or 83 per cent were identified as separations from employment during the month. In December more than 90 per cent of the claims were classified in this way.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly number of beneficiaries was estimated at 536,900 for January versus 316,700 for December and 560,100 for January 1962. Benefit payments totalled \$58.6 million during January in comparison with \$31.1 million during December and \$57.8 million during January 1962. The average weekly payment per week compensated was \$24.79 in January, \$24.54 in December and \$24.57 in January 1962.

Claims by province

All provinces contributed to the increase in the claimant count on January 31. Percentage increases exceeded 20 per cent in all provinces except Newfoundland, Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia. In comparison with January 31, 1962, current totals are down slightly in Nova Scotia, Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	December 31, 1962 to January 31, 1963			January 31, 1962 to January 31, 1963			December 29, 1961 to January 31, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 19	+ 20	+ 14	+ 1	+ 1	-	+ 16	+ 17	+ 12
Nfld.	+ 19	+ 21	- 11	+ 9	+ 9	-	+ 30	+ 30	+ 23
P.E.I.	+ 30	+ 31	+ 24	+ 5	+ 6	+ 1	+ 26	+ 26	+ 23
N.S.	+ 29	+ 30	+ 23	- 3	- 4	+ 5	+ 36	+ 38	+ 23
N.B.	+ 22	+ 21	+ 24	+ 4	+ 3	+ 9	+ 25	+ 26	+ 18
Que.	+ 16	+ 20	+ 4	+ 4	+ 5	-	+ 15	+ 19	+ 2
Ont.	+ 18	+ 20	+ 14	- 2	- 3	- 1	+ 13	+ 14	+ 13
Man.	+ 25	+ 23	+ 33	+ 2	- 1	+ 15	+ 13	+ 12	+ 17
Sask.	+ 28	+ 27	+ 35	- 1	+ 1	- 8	+ 19	+ 16	+ 34
Alta.	+ 31	+ 35	+ 15	+ 2	+ 5	- 10	+ 17	+ 17	+ 20
B.C.	+ 9	+ 5	+ 21	- 4	- 6	+ 1	+ 7	+ 4	+ 20

As the processing of claims under the seasonal benefit provisions continued during January, the proportion of month-end claimants identified as claiming "seasonal benefit" increased in all provinces.

Seasonal benefit claimants as a per cent of total claimants, at specified dates

	<u>January 31, 1963</u>	<u>December 31, 1962</u>	<u>January 31, 1962</u>
Canada	23	16	25
Nfld.	42	37	47
P.E.I.	49	36	50
N.S.	33	22	33
N.B.	36	26	38
Que.	22	14	24
Ont.	17	12	20
Man.	19	16	21
Sask.	17	13	20
Alta.	16	10	18
B.C.	23	17	26

The relatively greater prominence of seasonal benefit claimants in the Atlantic provinces is due partly to the heavy concentration of fishing claimants in that area. On January 31 close to 80 per cent of the fishing benefit claimants were located in the Atlantic provinces, of whom half were in Newfoundland.

Percentage change in claims filed

	December 1962 to January 1963			January 1962 to January 1963			December 1961 to January 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 1	+ 2	- 11	-	+ 4	- 11	- 11	- 11	- 10
Nfld.	- 36	- 39	- 3	+ 9	+ 10	+ 5	- 41	- 45	+ 2
P.E.I.	- 37	- 39	- 14	+ 7	+ 8	+ 1	- 45	- 48	+ 16
N.S.	+ 8	+ 13	- 13	- 21	+ 4	- 64	+ 14	- 7	+ 87
N.B.	- 5	- 5	- 5	+ 6	+ 4	+ 17	- 21	- 22	- 16
Que.	- 4	+ 1	- 16	+ 7	+ 8	+ 3	- 15	- 12	- 21
Ont.	+ 7	+ 14	- 9	- 4	- 1	- 11	-	+ 3	- 8
Man.	- 5	- 1	- 16	- 2	+ 1	- 12	- 12	- 8	- 23
Sask.	- 7	- 3	- 20	+ 2	+ 4	- 5	- 18	- 13	- 34
Alta.	+ 28	+ 30	+ 22	+ 7	+ 8	+ 4	- 2	+ 1	- 8
B.C.	- 6	- 3	- 15	- 7	- 1	- 20	- 16	- 17	- 15

Industrial Classification of Persons Filing Initial Claims for
Unemployment Insurance Benefit during December 1962

During December some 212,000 persons, separated from employment during the month, filed an initial(1) claim for benefit.

Manufacturing and construction together accounted for more than half the cases. This was the case as well for December 1961. Construction increased sharply over September 1962 from about 15 to 25 per cent.

Table 1. Percentage Distribution of Claims by Industry and Province,
December 1962 and 1961

Industry Group		Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	1962	212.2	16.4	3.5	11.0	12.0	64.7	57.2	9.7	7.8	8.9	21.1
	1961	231.6	16.3	3.8	13.0	14.2	68.3	62.8	10.2	7.9	10.5	24.5
Per cent distribution												
Forestry (mainly logging)	1962	7	7	1	7	17	9	2	(2)	(2)	1	15
	1961	7	17	1	7	19	8	2	-	-	2	14
Fishing(3) and trapping	1962	6	38	23	21	8	1	(2)	1	-	-	10
	1961	5	22	23	18	8	1	1	1	-	-	11
Mining	1962	2	1	-	1	1	2	1	2	2	4	2
	1961	2	2	-	6	1	1	1	3	2	5	2
Manufacturing	1962	28	10	17	22	27	32	37	22	11	17	28
	1961	25	12	17	16	21	29	32	20	11	10	23
Construction	1962	24	19	17	19	15	25	27	27	35	39	15
	1961	24	17	22	18	16	24	25	29	33	39	17
Transp., commun., and other utilities	1962	10	9	14	11	11	11	8	14	13	9	8
	1961	12	12	11	13	11	14	10	18	11	9	7
Trade	1962	9	8	16	7	8	5	12	15	16	12	9
	1961	10	9	14	9	9	8	9	12	19	13	12
Service	1962	7	4	4	4	7	8	7	7	9	8	8
	1961	8	4	4	5	7	7	10	9	9	10	9
Public Admin. & Defence	1962	5	4	4	5	3	6	3	6	11	7	2
	1961	6	5	6	6	6	6	5	7	12	11	4
Other	1962	3	1	4	3	3	2	3	6	5	3	2
	1961	3	1	4	3	3	2	4	2	3	2	4
All cases	1962	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	1961	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

- (1) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims. The latter account for about a quarter of total new cases during the month.
- (2) Less than one-half of 1 p.c.
- (3) In coding cases to the fishing industry persons whose reported occupation under covered employment was "fisherman" were coded to the fishing industry even though the nature of business of the most recent employer was other than fishing. This treatment is slightly different from the general coding practice of assigning a single code on the basis of the principal activity. Since fishermen report themselves usually as self-employed, the number of others is relatively small.

Table 2 presents comparable data at quarterly intervals, commencing December 1961. Comparison between June and December illustrates clearly the reverse positions occupied by the main industries during the low and high claim periods. Manufacturing and trade, combined, accounted for one-half the June claims whereas somewhat less than two-fifths of the December claims were from these industries. Claims from construction, transportation, communication and other utilities made up one-fifth of the June volume but in December they comprised more than a third. The service industry accounted for less than 10 per cent in December in contrast with 15 per cent for June.

Table 2. Percentage Distribution of Claims by Industry, quarterly intervals

Industry Group	December 1962	September 1962	June 1962	March 1962	December 1961
Total new cases (000's)	212.2	55.5	50.7	93.1	231.6
	Per cent distribution				
Forestry (mainly logging)	7	3	2	17	7
Fishing and trapping	6	(1)	(1)	1	5
Mining	2	2	2	3	2
Manufacturing	28	30	33	25	25
Construction	24	14	11	15	24
Transportation, Communi- cation and Other Utilities	10	8	9	8	12
Trade	9	18	17	14	10
Service	7	15	15	10	8
Public Administration and Defence	5	6	7	4	6
Other	3	5	4	3	3
All cases	100	100	100	100	100

(1) Less than one-half of one per cent.

That the claims data are influenced by the terms of the Act and its Regulations is clear from the December data on fishermen. In the main, fishermen are eligible for compensation only under the seasonal benefit provisions, i.e., during the period December to mid-May.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Jan. 1963	Dec. 1962	Jan. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data	
				Dec. 1962	Jan. 1962	12 months ending January	
						1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,264	4,158	..	..	..	4,044*
Initial and renewal claims filed	319	324	320	- 1	-	2,191	2,436
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	703	592	699	+ 19	+ 1	414*	475*
Regular	544	497	524	+ 9	+ 4		
S.B.	159	95	174	+ 67	- 9		
S.B. Fishing	28	19	26	+ 43	+ 6		
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	537	317	560	+ 70	- 4	338*	408*
Weeks compensated	2,362	1,267	2,353	+ 86	-	16,938	20,264
Benefit paid	\$ 58,560	31,087	57,799	+ 88	+ 1	409,968	484,110

Average weekly Benefit	\$	24.79	24.54	24.57	+ 1	+ 1	24.20	23.89
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1962 - December	4,264,000	3,672,000	592,000(1)
November	4,094,000	3,719,800	374,200(1)
October	3,991,000	3,746,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500
1961 - December	4,139,000	3,537,800	601,200

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants.

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Prov.	1963 - January - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	319,400	245,726	73,674	320,216	237,296	82,920
Nfld.	12,171	10,384	1,787	11,125	9,419	1,706
P.E.I.	2,525	2,205	320	2,363	2,045	318
N.S.	17,157	14,287	2,870	21,604	13,721	7,883
N.B.	15,737	12,787	2,950	14,799	12,277	2,522
Que.	97,987	74,643	23,344	91,724	69,088	22,636
Ont.	100,996	74,887	26,109	104,698	75,300	29,398
Man.	13,726	10,989	2,737	14,042	10,931	3,111
Sask.	10,163	8,377	1,786	9,960	8,074	1,886
Alta.	17,974	13,414	4,560	16,768	12,368	4,400
B.C.	30,964	23,753	7,211	33,133	24,073	9,060

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 56,251.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)					Percent- age Postal	January 31, 1962 total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27-39	40 or more		
	<u>January 31, 1963</u>							
CANADA -	703,081	283,876	331,361	63,002	17,768	7,074	42.3	698,538
MALE	557,740	227,512	274,124	41,284	10,410	4,410	45.6	553,422
FEMALE	145,341	56,364	57,237	21,718	7,358	2,664	29.7	145,116
Nfld.	39,380	12,444	23,615	2,401	502	418	83.7	36,264
Male	37,486	12,030	22,911	1,955	429	161	84.7	34,377
Female	1,894	414	704	446	73	257	64.0	1,887
P.E.I.	7,802	2,275	5,098	324	88	17	79.3	7,431
Male	6,577	1,956	4,294	256	60	11	81.2	6,219
Female	1,225	319	804	68	28	6	69.4	1,212
N.S.	39,971	15,800	19,362	3,454	1,009	346	59.7	41,071
Male	34,574	13,797	17,091	2,679	744	263	62.3	35,908
Female	5,397	2,003	2,271	775	265	83	43.5	5,163
N.B.	37,744	12,492	21,475	2,707	888	182	72.2	36,401
Male	31,068	10,448	17,991	1,928	583	118	74.7	30,287
Female	6,676	2,044	3,484	779	305	64	60.5	6,114
Que.	208,435	83,771	97,962	19,102	5,962	1,638	39.9	200,876
Male	168,660	69,156	82,401	12,747	3,369	987	43.0	161,092
Female	39,775	14,615	15,561	6,355	2,593	651	27.1	39,784
Ont.	197,795	84,384	86,496	19,246	5,206	2,463	26.3	202,609
Male	146,142	63,693	66,298	11,755	2,833	1,563	27.1	150,297
Female	51,653	20,691	20,198	7,491	2,373	900	24.0	52,312
Man.	36,169	15,605	16,152	2,940	880	592	35.0	35,322
Male	27,900	11,894	13,046	2,016	566	378	39.6	28,138
Female	8,269	3,711	3,106	924	314	214	19.7	7,184
Sask.	25,683	10,268	13,077	1,829	357	152	52.0	25,952
Male	20,958	8,287	11,411	1,006	147	107	56.0	20,798
Female	4,725	1,981	1,666	823	210	45	34.1	5,154
Alta.	38,165	18,577	15,123	3,233	673	559	62.0	37,393
Male	31,242	15,546	12,903	1,987	450	356	63.4	29,728
Female	6,923	3,031	2,220	1,246	223	203	55.6	7,665
B.C.	71,937	28,260	33,001	7,766	2,203	707	30.7	75,219
Male	53,133	20,705	25,778	4,955	1,229	466	33.2	56,578
Female	18,804	7,555	7,223	2,811	974	241	23.5	18,641

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>January 1963</u>							
Canada -	373,544	235,708	81,848	48,873	7,115	61,291	15,808
Nfld.	19,120	13,424	2,242	3,231	223	2,376	336
P.E.I.	3,396	2,529	393	426	48	457	50
N.S.	20,309	14,485	3,420	2,120	284	2,924	470
N.B.	18,477	12,272	3,222	2,673	310	2,363	603
Que.	116,770	72,509	26,226	15,659	2,376	20,643	5,545
Ont.	115,576	69,922	29,019	14,066	2,569	18,046	5,399
Man.	14,714	9,918	2,803	1,825	168	2,961	684
Sask.	12,237	8,285	2,236	1,581	135	2,348	388
Alta.	18,042	10,759	4,522	2,428	333	4,054	989
B.C.	34,903	21,605	7,765	4,864	669	5,119	1,344

<u>January 1962</u>							
Canada -	366,468	223,491	87,856	49,394	5,727	52,176	15,820
Nfld.	15,429	10,600	1,850	2,822	157	2,274	450
P.E.I.	3,006	2,260	351	378	17	321	51
N.S.	23,801	13,593	7,534	2,443	231	2,392	1,062
N.B.	16,387	11,011	2,534	2,640	202	2,441	623
Que.	108,780	66,526	25,259	15,514	1,481	17,271	4,706
Ont.	116,122	69,320	30,680	13,892	2,230	16,635	5,068
Man.	15,839	10,092	3,405	2,133	209	1,405	667
Sask.	11,779	7,756	2,187	1,698	138	1,551	399
Alta.	18,008	10,764	4,313	2,558	373	2,856	1,114
B.C.	37,317	21,569	9,743	5,316	689	5,030	1,680

(1) In addition 53,656 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 6,406 were special requests not granted and 3,038 were appeals by claimants. There were 12,961 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during January 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1)	27,458	1,927	229	1,243	1,819	8,859	7,157	1,057	848	1,360	2,959
	1962	32,219	1,773	271	1,698	2,020	10,531	8,489	1,244	1,048	1,505	3,640
Claimants disqualified	1963	41,918	1,838	343	1,691	1,699	13,921	14,106	1,355	1,143	2,098	3,724
	1962	37,101	1,606	189	1,573	1,404	11,433	12,170	1,655	1,161	2,188	3,722
Not unemployed	1963	1,954	102	75	91	98	666	405	95	199	108	115
	1962	1,951	43	27	76	66	634	513	113	211	129	139
Not capable of and not available for work	1963	13,438	472	91	447	532	3,774	5,135	567	441	693	1,286
	1962	11,258	343	57	459	412	3,357	3,920	587	347	604	1,172
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963	123	-	-	-	-	94	20	1	-	6	2
	1962	324	-	-	-	14	86	178	1	-	11	34
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963	1,817	11	4	100	50	669	672	52	30	106	123
	1962	1,829	36	7	137	75	686	554	60	37	112	125
Discharged for misconduct	1963	2,003	41	10	71	42	662	750	68	62	121	176
	1962	1,687	20	4	53	34	619	635	63	27	94	138
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963	9,790	366	55	387	403	3,409	2,938	337	240	571	1,084
	1962	8,626	361	39	303	360	3,000	2,368	428	248	642	877
Other reasons	1963	12,793	846	108	595	574	4,647	4,186	235	171	493	938
	1962	11,426	803	55	545	443	3,051	4,002	403	291	596	1,237
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during January												
	1963	9,270	770	141	484	832	2,718	2,323	309	254	361	1,078

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - January - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	536.9	560.1
Newfoundland	30.3	26.0
Prince Edward Island	6.6	6.3
Nova Scotia	30.9	30.6
New Brunswick	29.2	28.4
Quebec	159.3	159.6
Ontario	151.0	164.4
Manitoba	26.3	27.9
Saskatchewan	20.8	22.4
Alberta	27.7	29.8
British Columbia	54.7	64.7

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - January - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,362,257	58,559,894	2,352,548	57,799,308
Nfld.	133,315	3,222,563	109,216	2,587,038
P.E.I.	28,865	638,410	26,250	567,999
N.S.	135,748	3,087,748	128,590	2,924,795
N.B.	128,605	2,869,298	119,159	2,620,779
Que.	700,966	17,544,548	670,509	16,456,559
Ont.	664,301	16,455,977	690,559	16,994,426
Man.	115,933	2,952,942	117,262	2,973,175
Sask.	91,725	2,200,279	93,997	2,355,521
Alta.	122,067	3,051,423	125,060	3,180,879
B.C.	240,732	6,536,706	271,946	7,138,137

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings
<u>January 1963</u>			
Canada -	2,195,682	166,575	113,348
Newfoundland	127,179	6,136	4,760
Prince Edward Island	27,671	1,194	881
Nova Scotia	124,191	11,557	9,069
New Brunswick	119,735	8,870	5,984
Quebec	652,422	48,544	30,497
Ontario	614,518	49,783	34,278
Manitoba	109,093	6,840	4,756
Saskatchewan	86,805	4,920	3,152
Alberta	112,090	9,977	5,101
British Columbia	221,978	18,754	14,870

January 1962

Canada -	2,186,549	165,999	111,967
Newfoundland	102,363	6,853	5,132
Prince Edward Island	25,089	1,161	824
Nova Scotia	116,574	12,016	9,205
New Brunswick	110,106	9,053	5,782
Quebec	624,896	45,613	27,843
Ontario	639,876	50,683	33,907
Manitoba	110,295	6,967	4,667
Saskatchewan	88,934	5,063	3,502
Alberta	116,011	9,049	5,896
British Columbia	252,405	19,541	15,209

Seasonal Benefit, 1962-63 period

Provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 19, 1962 to mid-May 1963, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 3(1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their rights to seasonal benefit and wishing to be re-considered for benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks, (2) exhaustion will not occur before February 16.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class is based entirely on contributions during this period, i.e. since March 31, 1962. The authorization will be 5 full weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution(2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 19, 1962. The authorization will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate(3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen)(4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 26.
- (2) While the minimum entitlement on SBA claims is 13 weeks (SBB, 12 weeks) claims established subsequent to the week ending March 2, 1963 provide entitlement only for the number of weeks remaining between the date of establishment and May 18.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1963 - January - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	159,279	128,839	30,440	174,159	139,672	34,487
Nfld.	16,631	16,356	275	16,980	16,438	542
P.E.I.	3,844	3,298	546	3,730	3,175	555
N.S.	13,340	11,971	1,369	13,648	12,146	1,502
N.B.	13,584	11,337	2,247	13,765	11,544	2,221
Que.	45,255	36,946	8,309	47,249	37,924	9,325
Ont.	32,717	22,534	10,183	40,305	28,392	11,913
Man.	6,677	5,411	1,266	7,392	6,009	1,383
Sask.	4,306	3,532	774	5,287	4,195	1,092
Alta.	6,195	4,996	1,199	6,580	5,110	1,470
B.C.	16,730	12,458	4,272	19,223	14,739	4,484

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1963 - January - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	27,738	27,595	143	26,176	26,051	125
Nfld.	10,507	10,507	-	9,506	9,502	4
P.E.I.	2,003	1,941	62	1,881	1,827	54
N.S.	5,486	5,474	12	5,348	5,340	8
N.B.	3,853	3,831	22	3,577	3,557	20
Que.	1,279	1,271	8	1,071	1,067	4
Ont.	628	621	7	622	617	5
Man.	68	68	-	131	131	-
Sask.	1	1	-	-	-	-
Alta.	3	3	-	15	14	1
B.C.	3,910	3,878	32	4,025	3,996	29

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During 1962 the insured population averaging slightly over 4,000,000 was unchanged from 1961. The non-agricultural paid worker segment of the employed labour force(1) showed an expansion, however, increasing from 4.8 million in 1961 to 5.0 million (close to 4 per cent) in 1962. A significant proportion of the growth among the non-agricultural workers occurred in community service which is largely non-covered employment.

Initial and renewal claims, numbering 2,200,000 in 1962, were about 200,000 fewer than in 1961. There were 54 claims per 100 insured persons in 1962, in comparison with 61 per 100 in 1961. The number of initial and renewal claims filed in a year is not equivalent to the number of persons filing claims, since one person may file several claims during this interval. More than two-thirds of the claims were "initial".

On the average, about one in ten insured persons was on claim at the end of each month in 1962. At the peak high, in February, the proportion was one in six while at the September low it was one in twenty.

Benefit payments in 1962 were close to \$410 million, about \$85 million less than 1961.

The average weekly benefit payment at \$24.17, was slightly higher than for 1961 (\$23.82). The maximum average payment occurred in British Columbia, \$25.18, followed closely by Alberta, \$25.16. The lowest payment was \$21.37 for Prince Edward Island. Regional variations in average benefit payments reflect wage differentials which in turn are influenced by difference in the industrial structure and in the occupational and sex composition of the insured labour force. A further factor stems from the differential for persons qualifying at the higher rate payable in respect of dependents.

The three charts shown below indicate that the gap between the 1961 and 1962 data narrowed appreciably as the year progressed and in the case of payments, the year-end total was in excess of the previous year.

(1) The Labour Force, prepared in the Special Surveys Division, D.B.S.

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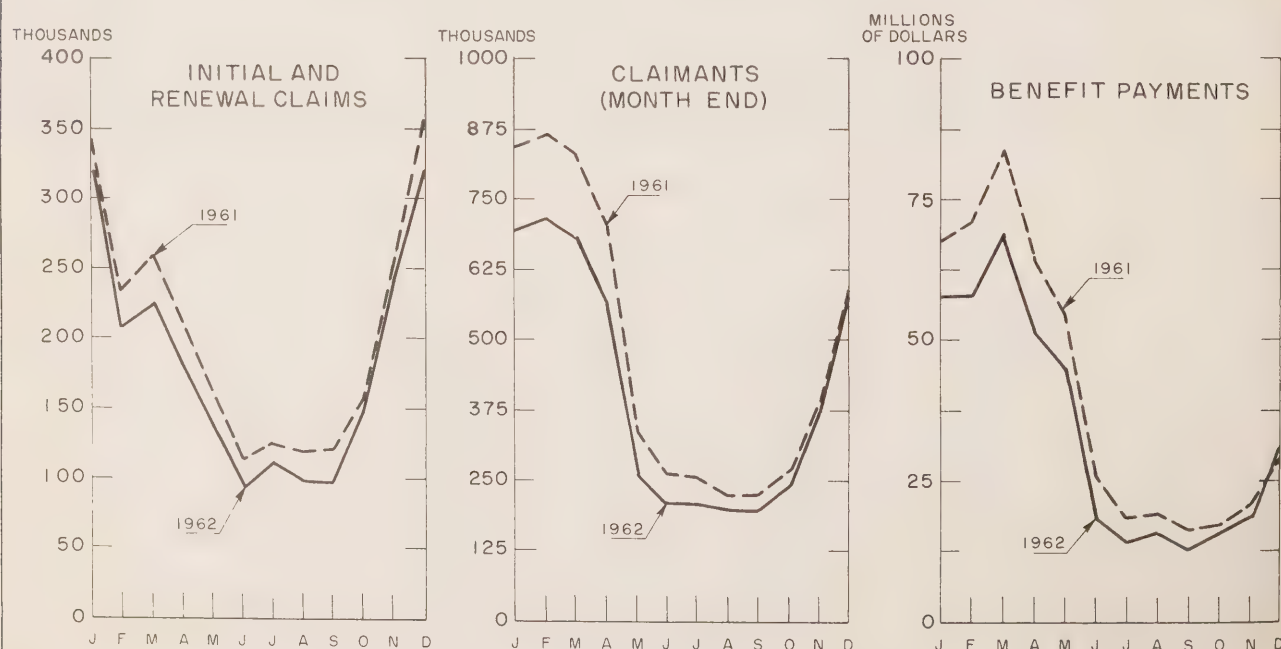


Table 1. - Estimates of Insured Population, Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed, Count of Claimants at month-end, by month, 1962 and 1961.

Month and year		Estimate of insured population at month-end	Initial and renewal claims filed			Count of claimants at month-end		
			Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Male	Female
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
		thousands						
Calendar year -	1962	4,056(1)	2,192	1,517	675	414(1)	310(1)	104(1)
	1961	4,051(1)	2,460	1,677	784	487(1)	370(1)	118(1)
January	1962	4,158	320	237	83	699	553	145
	1961	4,240	344	255	89	847	674	173
February	1962	4,161	206	146	59	719	570	148
	1961	4,247	235	167	68	873	697	176
March	1962	4,144	226	158	68	687	547	140
	1961	4,210	259	183	76	838	671	167
April	1962	4,064	181	122	59	564	435	129
	1961	4,126	210	144	65	713	557	156
May	1962	3,889	138	93	45	264	181	83
	1961	4,021	162	109	53	341	243	98
June	1962	3,954	93	59	34	214	136	78
	1961	3,896	113	68	45	267	177	90
July	1962	3,976	112	69	43	212	135	77
	1961	3,918	126	72	54	255	168	88
August	1962	3,995	99	60	39	199	128	70
	1961	3,939	121	68	53	229	152	77
September	1962	3,977	98	61	38	198	127	71
	1961	3,913	122	70	52	229	154	75
October	1962	3,991	150	96	55	244	165	79
	1961	3,940	158	97	61	269	185	83
November	1962	4,094	244	176	68	374	275	99
	1961	4,023	253	178	74	386	286	100
December	1962	4,264	324	241	83	592	464	128
	1961	4,139	358	266	92	601	472	129

(1) Average of month-end data.

Table ii. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Provinces, by Month, 1962.(1)

Province	Total 1962	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
<u>Initial and renewal claims</u>													
Canada -	2,192	320	206	226	181	138	93	112	99	98	150	244	324
Nfld.	74	11	6	7	5	4	2	2	2	2	4	10	19
P.E.I.	14	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4
N.S.	116	22	11	14	11	9	4	4	5	4	6	11	16
N.B.	99	15	9	11	10	6	3	4	4	4	6	12	17
Que.	658	92	66	68	54	42	29	33	28	30	44	71	102
Ont.	710	105	66	69	55	45	34	48	38	34	51	71	94
Man.	95	14	9	10	8	6	4	3	3	4	6	14	14
Sask.	61	10	6	7	6	3	2	2	2	2	4	9	11
Alta.	119	17	12	14	12	7	4	5	5	5	9	15	14
B.C.	245	33	19	25	19	17	11	11	13	14	20	30	33

Initial claims

Canada -	1,517	237	146	158	122	93	59	69	60	61	96	176	241
Nfld.	60	9	5	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	2	8	17
P.E.I.	11	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4
N.S.	74	14	7	7	7	4	2	2	2	2	4	8	13
N.B.	74	12	7	8	7	4	2	2	2	2	4	9	13
Que.	460	69	47	50	37	29	19	20	17	18	28	50	74
Ont.	476	75	46	47	35	29	21	30	23	21	33	50	66
Man.	70	11	7	8	6	4	2	2	2	2	4	10	11
Sask.	47	8	5	5	4	2	1	1	1	1	3	7	9
Alta.	83	12	8	10	8	5	3	3	3	3	6	10	10
B.C.	162	24	13	15	12	11	7	7	7	8	13	22	25

Renewal claims

Canada -	675	83	59	68	59	45	34	43	39	38	55	68	83
Nfld.	14	2	1	2	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	2	2
P.E.I.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
N.S.	43	8	4	7	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
N.B.	25	3	2	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3
Que.	199	21	18	17	16	13	10	13	11	11	17	21	28
Ont.	234	29	20	22	20	16	13	18	14	13	18	21	29
Man.	25	3	2	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	2	4	3
Sask.	14	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
Alta.	37	4	3	4	3	2	2	2	2	2	3	5	4
B.C.	83	9	6	10	7	6	4	5	5	6	8	8	8

(1) Comparable data for 1961 available in the January 1962 issue in this series.

Table iii. - Number of Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Province and Sex, during 1962(1).

Province	Monthly Ave.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
<u>Male and female</u>													
Canada -	414	699	719	687	564	264	214	212	199	198	244	374	592
Nfld.	19	36	38	36	27	10	7	6	6	6	6	14	33
P.E.I.	3	7	8	7	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	6
N.S.	23	41	43	43	34	15	10	10	11	10	13	19	31
N.B.	21	36	39	39	33	12	9	8	9	9	10	18	31
Que.	124	201	214	208	174	81	66	63	58	60	73	111	179
Ont.	124	203	208	195	156	80	71	80	72	65	79	110	167
Man.	20	35	36	34	29	13	9	9	8	9	11	19	29
Sask.	13	26	27	25	19	7	5	4	4	4	6	12	20
Alta.	23	37	37	38	34	16	12	10	10	11	14	22	29
B.C.	44	75	69	63	53	30	24	21	22	23	31	46	66

<u>Male</u>													
Canada -	310	553	570	547	435	181	136	135	128	127	165	275	464
Nfld.	17	34	36	34	26	9	6	5	5	5	5	13	31
P.E.I.	3	6	6	6	4	1	-	1	-	-	1	2	5
N.S.	20	36	37	38	29	12	8	7	8	8	10	16	26
N.B.	17	30	33	33	28	10	6	6	7	7	8	14	26
Que.	95	161	176	171	139	57	44	40	38	41	51	82	141
Ont.	85	150	154	144	109	49	41	49	44	38	50	74	122
Man.	15	28	28	26	22	9	6	5	4	5	7	14	23
Sask.	10	21	22	20	15	4	3	2	2	2	4	9	17
Alta.	17	30	28	30	26	11	8	6	6	6	9	16	23
B.C.	31	57	50	46	37	20	15	13	14	15	21	34	51

<u>Female</u>													
Canada -	104	145	148	140	129	83	78	77	70	71	79	99	128
Nfld.	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
P.E.I.	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
N.S.	4	5	5	5	5	3	3	2	3	2	3	3	4
N.B.	4	6	6	6	5	3	2	2	2	2	2	4	5
Que.	29	40	38	37	35	23	23	23	20	20	22	29	38
Ont.	38	52	54	52	47	31	30	31	27	27	29	35	45
Man.	5	7	8	8	7	4	4	4	3	4	4	5	6
Sask.	3	5	5	5	4	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
Alta.	6	8	9	8	8	5	4	4	4	4	5	6	6
B.C.	13	19	19	18	16	10	9	8	8	9	10	12	16

(1) Comparable data for 1961 available in January 1962 issue in this series.

Table iv. - Benefit Payments by Province and Month, 1962 and 1961.

Province	Total 12 months	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands of dollars													
Canada - 1962	409,208	57,799	57,988	68,827	51,647	45,409	18,709	14,511	15,878	12,664	15,754	18,934	31,087
1961	493,971	67,660	70,989	85,188	64,540	58,704	25,890	18,551	18,866	16,082	17,115	20,938	29,447
Nfld.	19,256	2,587	2,868	3,566	2,752	3,072	1,084	448	494	364	431	555	1,036
1961	19,951	2,905	3,421	3,692	3,504	3,051	923	377	422	318	303	385	652
P.E.I.	3,320	568	553	754	448	377	96	48	62	47	58	67	241
1961	3,316	614	545	741	520	398	113	54	53	50	40	54	134
N.S.	21,790	2,925	3,105	3,922	2,818	2,585	1,141	678	799	649	833	895	1,438
1961	24,150	3,381	3,404	4,352	3,354	2,944	1,279	810	802	890	800	911	1,223
N.B.	19,616	2,621	2,545	3,324	2,734	2,639	1,054	587	678	556	644	798	1,434
1961	22,575	3,243	3,253	4,113	3,422	3,442	1,201	623	584	510	513	698	972
Que.	121,728	16,457	16,865	20,414	16,625	13,629	5,295	4,408	4,593	3,702	4,748	5,654	9,338
1961	149,958	19,970	21,563	26,376	21,083	18,322	7,573	5,630	5,550	4,764	4,982	5,864	8,281
Ont.	122,745	16,994	17,374	20,315	14,424	12,376	5,494	4,849	5,736	4,511	5,261	6,095	9,316
1961	156,597	20,533	21,886	25,964	18,416	17,625	8,872	6,960	6,954	5,845	6,421	7,331	9,789
Man.	20,361	2,973	3,064	3,612	2,568	2,327	951	635	671	495	619	921	1,525
1961	21,846	2,912	3,147	3,998	2,814	2,573	1,083	684	704	602	696	1,030	1,602
Sask.	13,889	2,356	2,323	2,836	1,699	1,446	478	346	356	264	333	487	966
1961	15,211	2,195	2,494	3,068	1,913	1,594	602	375	444	375	419	642	1,089
Alta.	22,438	3,181	3,070	3,728	2,864	2,578	1,034	872	779	639	800	1,046	1,848
1961	25,485	3,374	3,663	4,538	3,265	3,095	1,433	847	853	675	788	1,182	1,772
B.C.	44,065	7,138	6,221	6,355	4,716	4,380	2,081	1,639	1,711	1,438	2,026	2,416	3,944
1961	54,881	8,533	7,612	8,346	6,249	5,659	2,811	2,191	2,499	2,054	2,154	2,841	3,934

Table v. - Average Weekly Benefit Rate(1), by Province and Month, 1962 and 1961.

Province	12 month average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
dollars													
Canada - 1962	24.17	24.57	24.56	24.49	24.43	23.99	23.45	22.98	22.97	23.36	23.42	23.85	24.54
1961	23.82	23.96	24.07	23.99	23.98	23.68	23.57	23.13	22.98	23.22	23.52	23.76	24.20
Nfld.	23.90	23.69	23.84	24.01	24.14	24.02	24.19	23.33	23.75	22.92	22.83	23.56	24.32
1961	24.09	23.81	23.14	23.84	24.49	25.78	26.72	22.97	23.05	22.73	21.42	22.09	23.81
P.E.I.	21.37	21.64	21.75	21.46	21.50	21.07	20.26	19.76	20.15	20.22	20.90	20.74	21.57
1961	21.35	21.30	21.11	21.40	22.11	21.82	21.19	19.99	19.68	19.94	19.71	20.40	21.10
N.S.	22.71	22.75	23.43	23.03	23.08	22.38	21.91	21.56	21.93	22.28	22.58	22.26	22.39
1961	22.46	21.86	22.39	22.50	22.59	22.38	23.43	22.16	21.97	23.33	22.61	22.48	22.94
N.B.	22.29	21.99	22.20	22.30	22.70	22.61	22.24	21.89	21.64	21.89	21.95	22.33	22.43
1961	22.24	22.14	22.07	22.15	22.60	22.95	22.87	21.98	21.45	21.17	21.13	21.18	21.68
Que.	24.39	24.54	24.81	25.09	24.69	24.26	23.67	23.14	22.96	23.62	23.60	23.88	24.38
1961	23.69	23.74	24.07	24.10	24.09	23.46	23.29	22.75	22.50	22.95	23.18	23.22	23.84
Ont.	24.14	24.61	24.58	24.45	24.63	23.80	23.15	22.80	22.96	23.59	23.33	23.78	24.58
1961	23.89	24.06	24.31	23.95	23.86	23.59	23.46	23.35	23.06	23.36	24.03	24.46	24.32
Man.	24.38	25.35	24.78	24.43	24.43	24.48	23.62	22.84	22.70	22.24	23.03	23.87	25.06
1961	23.91	24.40	24.32	24.38	24.27	23.29	23.25	22.18	22.47	22.30	23.14	23.55	24.64
Sask.	24.18	25.06	24.75	24.50	24.19	24.10	23.33	21.83	22.03	21.64	21.87	23.38	24.27
1961	23.86	24.37	24.27	24.22	24.05	23.62	22.47	23.62	21.68	21.73	22.79	22.97	24.58
Alta.	25.16	25.43	25.25	25.39	25.39	25.73	25.04	24.42	24.00	23.67	23.92	24.31	25.53
1961	24.53	24.66	24.78	24.80	24.65	24.97	24.13	23.35	23.28	23.64	23.89	23.81	24.77
B.C.	25.18	26.25	25.61	25.13	24.88	24.59	24.22	23.77	23.86	24.01	24.55	25.24	26.34
1961	25.10	25.75	25.34	25.27	25.01	24.49	24.41	24.48	25.10	24.64	24.39	24.89	25.54

(1) Including partial weeks.

Table vi. - Initial and Renewal Claims for Unemployment Insurance Benefit by Month, February 1942 - December 1962.

Year	Total 12 months	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
1942	26.9	-	4.8		2.9	2.8	4.6	2.7	1.9	1.1	1.1	1.7	3.3
1943	36.7	4.6	4.8	5.0	4.0	2.0	1.8	1.1	1.4	1.0	1.5	2.9	6.6
1944	90.9	11.8	12.3	10.7	6.5	4.7	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.7	6.2	11.8	13.8
1945	296.4	20.4	15.0	13.3	8.4	8.9	10.9	10.9	20.6	40.5	36.7	53.3	57.6
1946	488.7	71.9	59.1	50.7	35.8	34.8	30.6	27.6	25.1	28.6	34.9	37.1	52.5
1947	442.9	63.7	47.1	43.7	35.9	27.6	21.4	20.0	17.3	20.9	29.4	42.4	73.6
1948	649.1	100.3	76.7	63.9	49.0	33.6	31.5	30.5	25.0	28.1	38.1	66.4	105.9
1949	933.9	126.6	93.5	88.8	58.1	52.7	44.8	43.5	50.3	51.9	69.3	114.9	139.4
1950	1,150.2	182.1	109.3	211.4	80.4	71.6	51.3	43.9	61.5	49.2	62.2	93.0	134.2
1951	1,144.1	172.6	110.5	111.1	75.2	56.4	58.2	59.0	57.9	62.5	82.9	122.6	175.0
1952	1,391.3	212.7	141.3	155.5	101.0	83.8	68.8	75.3	61.0	64.7	88.0	123.4	215.9
1953	1,679.7	223.7	172.6	181.5	117.9	71.5	72.8	75.9	74.1	85.6	123.2	188.9	292.3
1954	2,102.2	293.2	216.1	250.8	159.5	113.4	114.8	106.3	112.7	109.5	127.6	187.7	310.6
1955	1,929.8	311.0	238.7	247.1	155.9	97.6	90.4	81.6	88.6	87.6	94.7	159.8	276.7
1956	1,625.4	263.8	188.6	176.5	139.1	84.1	55.2	73.5	75.0	65.0	87.9	151.4	265.2
1957	2,373.2	361.1	192.7	195.2	163.5	104.3	86.4	114.1	115.3	124.9	167.4	249.1	499.2
1958	2,780.5	367.4	243.9	253.3	217.5	165.1	155.7	167.4	139.7	157.6	191.2	246.6	475.2
1959	2,428.3	317.5	220.9	230.1	206.9	134.4	107.1	122.3	102.4	115.1	151.2	278.6	441.6
1960	2,700.4	306.6	240.3	283.5	214.6	165.6	128.5	140.4	149.6	140.3	178.2	304.4	448.3
1961	2,460.5	344.2	234.6	259.4	209.6	162.1	112.8	126.2	121.2	122.0	158.1	252.6	357.9
1962	2,192.2	320.2	205.6	225.8	181.3	138.4	93.5	112.4	98.8	98.3	150.4	243.6	323.8

Table vii. - Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of each Month, September 30, 1943 to December 31, 1962.

Year	12 month average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
1943	-	12	16	16	12	7	5	4	5	1	1	2	6
1944	10	27	30	27	19	17	17	19	29	6	8	13	19
1945	41	146	162	155	124	99	82	69	62	48	62	85	113
1946	98	106	112	107	86	63	50	43	39	58	63	67	87
1947	71	145	153	142	112	77	62	53	47	39	45	62	102
1948	95	203	216	198	150	115	95	94	94	47	60	88	151
1949	149	313	304	368	230	166	127	106	111	95	115	172	243
1950 total	188			23						89	102	139	202
% S.B.													3
1951 total	167	256	253	236	149	101	101	100	101	109	128	187	288
% S.B.		11	14	18									3
1952 total	219	358	351	352	249	182	149	144	125	109	128	182	304
% S.B.		9	11	13									4
1953 total	253	376	389	379	240	165	142	134	134	143	185	283	452
% S.B.		11	14	17									4
1954 total	357	556	559	561	379	293	245	228	223	214	236	307	479
% S.B.		10	14	18									7
1955 total	319	587	620	605	354	241	186	168	153	145	163	220	388
% S.B.		14	21	26									12
1956 total	272	477	511	511	292	189	136	138	132	128	139	215	398
% S.B.		23	28	29									7
1957 total	380	546	572	559	374	250	205	206	209	227	268	403	744
% S.B.		13	18	19									12
1958 total	552	835	869	860	722	551	445	301	295	283	324	419	715
% S.B.		20	24	27	31	33	30						18
1959 total	454	785	796	767	611	279	221	226	210	202	251	418	686
% S.B.		26	31	34	37								17
1960 total	518	783	814	823	715	364	296	294	280	280	330	485	754
% S.B.		23	27	30	32								18
1961 total	487	847	873	838	713	341	267	255	229	229	269	386	601
% S.B.		24	29	32	35								18
1962 total	414	699	719	687	564	264	214	212	199	198	244	374	592
% S.B.		25	29	32	34								16

Table viii. - Amount of Benefit Paid(1), by Month, 1942 to 1962

Year	12 month total	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
millions of dollars													
1942	0.37	-	(2)	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
1943	0.94	0.07	0.13	0.20	0.14	0.13	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.05
1944	3.29	0.13	0.30	0.76	0.36	0.47	0.25	0.14	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.18	0.34
1945	14.57	0.55	0.82	1.52	0.59	0.67	0.58	0.60	0.69	0.88	1.71	2.51	3.45
1946	51.08	4.49	5.90	7.21	7.01	5.22	4.47	3.30	2.86	3.40	2.46	2.24	2.51
1947	32.04	4.01	3.92	4.48	3.78	3.07	2.15	1.96	1.52	1.51	1.54	1.56	2.54
1948	40.27	3.92	5.02	6.63	5.18	3.67	2.60	2.08	1.84	1.69	1.76	2.28	3.59
1949	69.35	6.73	8.16	10.40	7.61	5.51	4.11	3.37	3.72	3.67	3.85	5.05	7.18
1950	98.98	11.78	13.61	16.64	13.71	10.50	6.66	4.76	4.41	3.84	3.57	4.18	5.31
1951	76.66	9.83	10.68	12.14	8.35	5.66	3.51	3.43	3.67	3.46	3.90	5.11	6.92
1952	118.83	13.98	15.57	16.89	13.95	10.39	6.73	6.29	6.24	5.71	5.71	6.44	10.93
1953	157.97	18.43	20.60	24.00	19.19	12.39	8.41	7.15	6.41	6.74	7.60	10.17	16.88
1954	241.11	25.15	29.68	37.19	29.84	21.13	15.72	12.72	12.06	12.40	11.78	14.02	19.43
1955	229.12	28.37	34.90	45.44	33.78	20.02	12.64	8.94	8.73	8.18	7.54	8.66	11.94
1956	210.33	24.63	32.19	38.17	33.20	19.16	9.93	7.93	8.17	7.09	8.07	9.28	12.53
1957	305.08	33.44	38.60	44.13	40.39	26.27	14.36	13.80	13.03	13.81	16.33	18.99	31.93
1958	492.90	60.76	63.31	72.38	66.68	51.65	36.99	26.82	19.49	19.85	20.27	21.14	33.56
1959	406.10	58.65	58.08	65.87	59.97	40.45	18.16	14.53	13.12	13.37	13.77	17.48	32.66
1960	481.84	54.35	62.59	74.85	61.77	52.21	26.84	19.70	21.36	21.19	20.65	26.58	39.77
1961	493.97	67.66	70.99	85.19	64.54	58.70	25.89	18.55	18.86	16.08	17.12	20.94	29.45
1962	409.21	57.80	57.99	68.83	51.65	45.41	18.71	14.51	15.88	12.66	15.75	18.93	31.09

(1) Benefit paid under the seasonal benefit provisions is included. The dates during which these provisions were operative, maximum weeks payable each period and amount of benefit paid are as follows:

February 28 to April 15, 1950 - 6 weeks - \$4.5 million.

January 1 to March 31, 1951 - 13 weeks - \$3.9 million.

January 1 to March 31, 1952 - 13 weeks - \$4.6 million.

January 1 to April 15, 1953 - 15 weeks - \$9.2 million.

January 1 to April 15, 1954 - 15 weeks - \$14.1 million.

January 1 to April 15, 1955 - 15 weeks - \$28.9 million.

January 1 to April 21, 1956 - 16 weeks - \$38.1 million.

January 1 to April 20, 1957 - 16 weeks - \$29.6 million.

December 1, 1957 to June 28, 1958 - 30 weeks - \$109.8 million.

December 1, 1958 to May 16, 1959 - 24 weeks - \$98.4 million.

November 30, 1959 to May 21, 1960 - 25 weeks - \$99.1 million.

November 28, 1960 to May 20, 1961 - 25 weeks - \$112.1 million.

November 27, 1961 to May 19, 1962 - 25 weeks - \$91.0 million (preliminary).

(2) Less than \$10,000.

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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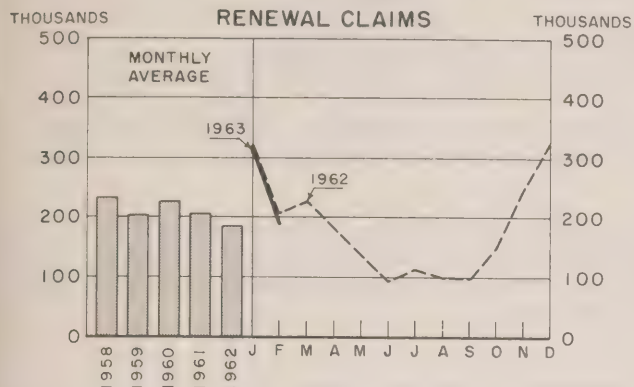
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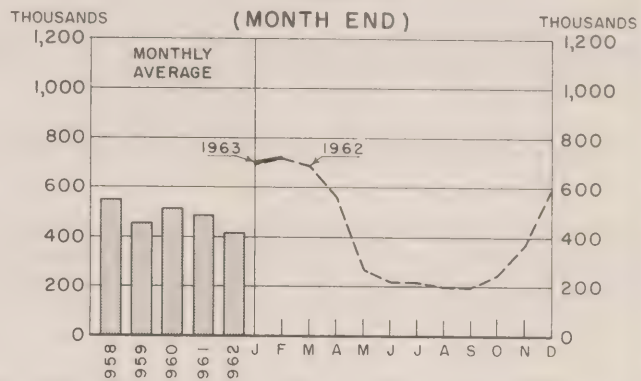
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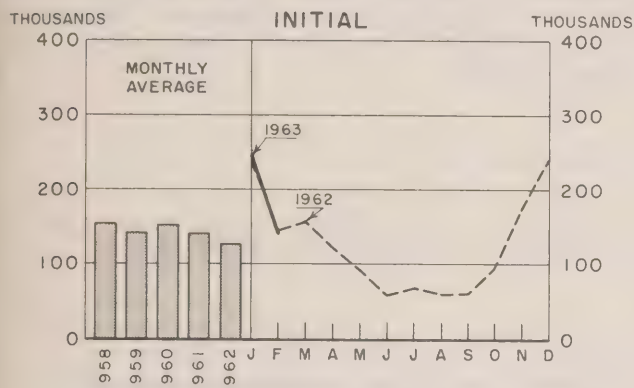
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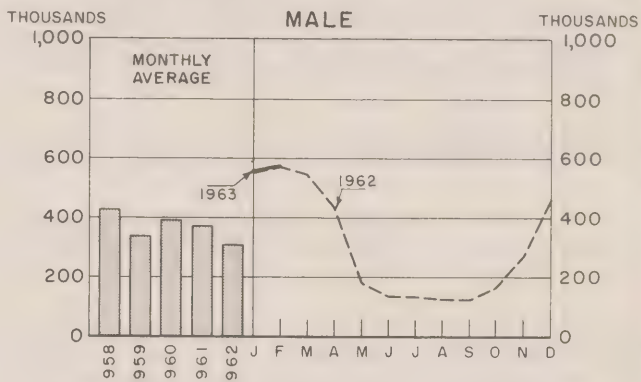
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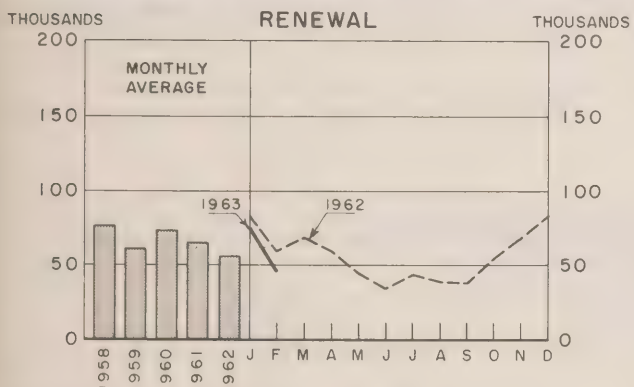
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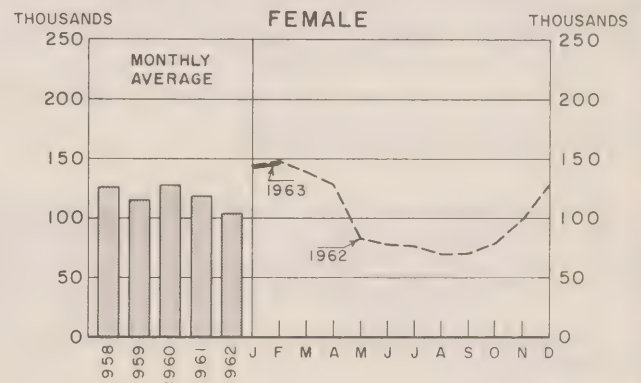
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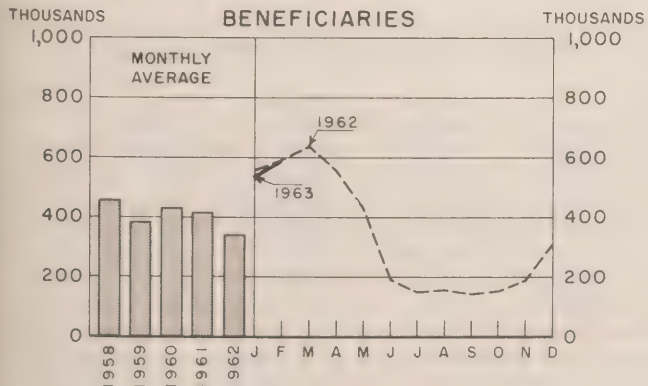
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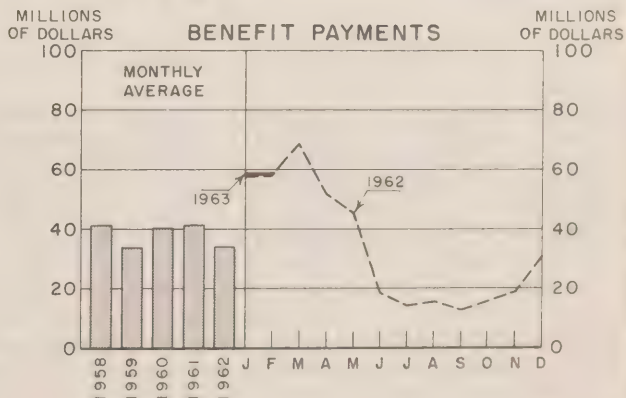
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BENEFIT PAYMENTS



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

FEBRUARY 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit numbered 720,500 on February 28, little changed from the previous month-end total of 703,100 or from February 28, 1962, at 718,700.

In view of the 143,000 new(1) claims filed during February, the month-to-month increment of 17,000 claimants suggests 110,000(2) or more persons withdrew from claimant status and returned to work during the month. This is a return-to-work rate of close to 15 per cent among persons either claiming at the end of January or filing a claim during February.

Some 55 per cent of the claimants had been on continuous claim more than 4 weeks but not more than 13 weeks as of February 28, 1963. This reflects the heavy influx of claims in December together with continuation of reduced employment opportunities. Men comprised 82 per cent of this group, but only 70 per cent of those on continuous claim more than 13 weeks.

Initial and Renewal Claims:

A total of 188,500 initial and renewal claims were filed in local offices across Canada during February. This is a decline of some 130,000 from January and about 17,000 from February 1962.

Some 143,000 or slightly more than three-quarters of the current claim intake emanated from disemployment during the month. In January the proportion was close to 85 per cent. Decline in relative importance of new cases during the month is attributable partly to the transition to seasonal benefit as claimants exhaust their entitlement to regular benefit. Of 142,000 initial claims filed during February, 45,000 or about one-third were in this category; in January less than one-quarter of the initial claims were transitional.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 591,900 for February, in comparison with 536,900 for January and 590,400 for February 1962. Benefit payments totalled \$58.7 million during February, \$58.6 million during January and \$58.0 million for February 1962. The average weekly payment was \$24.81 in February, \$24.79 in January and \$24.56 in February 1962.

Claims by province

At the provincial level, there was virtually no variation over the periods under review.

(1) See paragraph 2 under "Initial and renewal claims".

(2) This is explained as follows: Minimum duration of regular and seasonal benefit is 12 weeks, except for seasonal benefit claims established after March 2. Hence, a claimant establishing eligibility for 12 weeks of either benefit during the week containing December 1 would not exhaust his entitlement until February 23, unless he was not required to serve a waiting period. Persons establishing the right to regular benefit prior to the week of December 1 and exhausting during this period automatically become eligible for at least 12 weeks of seasonal benefit. The probability of a seasonal benefit claimant establishing a duration of 12 weeks during the week of the 1st of December is estimated to be something less than .003, while for regular benefit it would be appreciably lower. If all the new claims during the month were found to have sufficient contributions to qualify, the February total could rise by that number, but some would fail. The net withdrawal of 110,000 makes some allowance for failures but cannot be explained by exhaustion of benefit. Claimants drawing less benefit than authorized are presumed to have returned to work.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	<u>January 31 to February 28, 1963</u>			<u>February 28, 1962 to February 28, 1963</u>			<u>January 31 to February 28, 1962</u>		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 2	+ 3	+ 1	-	-	- 1	+ 3	+ 3	+ 2
Nfld.	+ 2	+ 1	+ 4	+ 5	+ 5	- 3	+ 5	+ 5	+ 7
P.E.I.	+ 3	+ 2	+ 5	+ 3	+ 4	+ 2	+ 4	+ 4	+ 3
N.S.	+ 2	+ 1	+ 12	- 4	- 6	+ 10	+ 4	+ 3	+ 6
N.B.	+ 5	+ 6	-	+ 2	+ 1	+ 5	+ 7	+ 8	+ 4
Que.	+ 6	+ 8	- 3	+ 3	+ 4	+ 1	+ 6	+ 9	- 4
Ont.	+ 2	+ 2	+ 2	- 3	- 4	- 2	+ 3	+ 3	+ 3
Man.	- 2	- 2	- 1	- 2	- 4	+ 4	+ 3	+ 1	+ 9
Sask.	+ 1	-	+ 5	- 4	- 3	- 6	+ 4	+ 4	+ 3
Alta.	+ 2	+ 1	+ 8	+ 5	+ 12	- 17	-	- 5	+ 18
B.C.	- 5	- 8	+ 3	-	- 2	+ 3	- 9	- 12	+ 1

The return to work rates during February differed significantly as between regions:

<u>Canada</u>	<u>Atlantic</u>	<u>Quebec</u>	<u>Ontario</u>	<u>Prairie</u>	<u>Pacific</u>
14	7	13	17	13	19

These rates are associated with differences in the industrial structure and in seasonal employment patterns of the regions.

All provinces reported a sharply reduced claim volume in February, greater where seasonal benefit claimants are relatively more prominent.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	<u>January to February 1963</u>			<u>February 1962 to February 1963</u>			<u>January to February 1962</u>		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 41	- 42	- 37	- 8	- 3	- 22	- 36	- 38	- 28
Nfld.	- 55	- 55	- 57	- 8	- 1	- 34	- 47	- 50	- 32
P.E.I.	- 61	- 62	- 52	- 6	- 1	- 25	- 56	- 59	- 36
N.S.	- 55	- 55	- 53	- 32	- 7	- 70	- 47	- 49	- 43
N.B.	- 45	- 46	- 41	- 3	+ 1	- 14	- 40	- 44	- 20
Que.	- 36	- 38	- 30	- 4	- 2	- 11	- 28	- 32	- 19
Ont.	- 40	- 42	- 37	- 9	- 5	- 19	- 37	- 39	- 31
Man.	- 38	- 36	- 45	- 8	- 3	- 25	- 34	- 34	- 35
Sask.	- 49	- 47	- 57	- 16	- 10	- 40	- 38	- 39	- 32
Alta.	- 39	- 36	- 47	- 7	+ 2	- 30	- 29	- 32	- 22
B.C.	- 42	- 44	- 36	- 6	+ 4	- 25	- 42	- 46	- 32

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Feb. 1963	Jan. 1963	Feb. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Jan. 1963	Feb. 1962	January to February		12 months ending February	
						1963	/ 1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,218	4,161	..	..	..	4,160*	..	4,037*
Initial and renewal claims filed	189	319	206	- 41	- 8	508	526	2,174	2,408
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	720	703	719	+ 2	-	712*	709*	414*	462*
Regular	524	544	511	- 4	+ 2				
S.B.	196	159	207	+ 23	- 5				
S.B. Fishing	30	28	28	+ 8	+ 9				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	592	537	590	+ 10	-	564*	575*	338*	394*
Weeks compensated	2,368	2,362	2,361	-	-	4,730	4,714	16,944	19,675
Benefit paid	\$ 58,742	58,560	57,988	-	+ 1	117,302	115,788	410,722	471,110
Average weekly benefit	\$ 24.81	24.79	24.56	-	+ 1	24.80	24.56	24.24	23.94

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - January	4,218,000	3,514,900	703,100(1)
1962 - December	4,212,000	3,620,000	592,000(1)
November	4,094,000	3,719,800	374,200(1)
October	3,991,000	3,746,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700
January	4,158,000	3,459,500	698,500

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population within the last six months. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants. An additional factor stems from the fact that the number of claimants is ascertained by actual count, in local offices across Canada, whereas the employed figure is an estimate.

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Prov.	1963 - February - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	188,523	142,392	46,131	205,643	146,232	59,411
Nfld.	5,446	4,681	765	5,894	4,734	1,160
P.E.I.	981	828	153	1,039	835	204
N.S.	7,805	6,462	1,343	11,431	6,951	4,480
N.B.	8,615	6,877	1,738	8,843	6,825	2,018
Que.	62,810	46,489	16,321	65,714	47,295	18,419
Ont.	60,165	43,671	16,494	66,355	46,101	20,254
Man.	8,516	6,998	1,518	9,222	7,208	2,014
Sask.	5,193	4,429	764	6,209	4,933	1,276
Alta.	10,986	8,564	2,422	11,862	8,416	3,446
B.C.	18,006	13,393	4,613	19,074	12,934	6,140

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 48,223.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)					Percent- age Postal	February 28, 1962 total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27-39	40 or more		
<u>February 28, 1963</u>								
CANADA -	720,461	196,831	396,049	98,769	20,217	8,595	43.6	718,668
MALE	573,127	157,186	326,417	72,127	11,983	5,414	46.9	570,314
FEMALE	147,334	39,645	69,632	26,642	8,234	3,181	30.8	148,354
Nfld.	40,016	5,855	29,362	4,453	206	140	83.1	38,172
Male	38,043	5,370	28,434	3,941	174	124	84.0	36,148
Female	1,973	485	928	512	32	16	65.0	2,024
P.E.I.	8,014	978	6,180	718	120	18	79.5	7,749
Male	6,733	746	5,285	591	105	6	81.5	6,497
Female	1,281	232	895	127	15	12	69.1	1,252
N.S.	40,947	8,437	25,384	5,553	1,098	475	60.2	42,509
Male	34,916	6,992	22,344	4,444	745	391	62.6	37,011
Female	6,031	1,445	3,040	1,109	353	84	46.7	5,498
N.B.	39,592	8,458	24,363	5,375	1,173	223	73.1	38,970
Male	32,902	7,422	20,414	4,150	792	124	75.6	32,598
Female	6,690	1,036	3,949	1,225	381	99	60.6	6,372
Que.	221,247	64,974	117,725	28,780	7,148	2,620	42.7	213,828
Male	182,792	54,929	100,702	21,385	4,144	1,632	45.7	175,668
Female	38,455	10,045	17,023	7,395	3,004	988	28.0	38,160
Ont.	201,519	61,102	103,197	28,109	5,880	3,231	27.2	208,089
Male	148,662	45,940	78,694	18,847	3,230	1,951	28.1	154,120
Female	52,857	15,162	24,503	9,262	2,650	1,280	24.4	53,969
Man.	35,626	10,550	19,399	4,644	780	253	37.5	36,336
Male	27,448	7,743	15,474	3,515	521	195	41.0	28,472
Female	8,178	2,807	3,925	1,129	259	58	25.6	7,864
Sask.	25,931	5,813	14,936	4,318	683	181	52.7	26,980
Male	20,977	4,586	12,508	3,412	377	94	57.1	21,692
Female	4,954	1,227	2,428	906	306	87	34.0	5,288
Alta.	39,079	10,856	20,449	6,477	748	549	60.9	37,256
Male	31,591	9,096	16,745	4,945	534	271	61.9	28,226
Female	7,488	1,760	3,704	1,532	214	278	56.3	9,030
B.C.	68,490	19,808	35,054	10,342	2,381	905	30.4	68,779
Male	49,063	14,362	25,817	6,897	1,361	626	33.1	49,882
Female	19,427	5,446	9,237	3,445	1,020	279	23.8	18,897

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>February 1963</u>							
Canada -	207,218	130,151	43,143	29,188	4,736	44,344	14,060
Nfld.	6,437	4,549	762	1,044	82	1,464	257
P.E.I.	1,149	849	149	137	14	299	40
N.S.	9,159	6,644	1,319	1,037	159	1,705	335
N.B.	9,041	6,196	1,555	1,109	181	1,935	605
Que.	67,307	41,398	15,118	9,287	1,504	16,447	5,244
Ont.	66,024	39,407	15,266	9,496	1,855	12,814	4,772
Man.	9,585	6,595	1,579	1,276	135	2,088	488
Sask.	6,142	4,374	798	873	97	1,530	257
Alta.	12,755	8,181	2,404	1,902	268	2,535	739
B.C.	19,619	11,958	4,193	3,027	441	3,527	1,323

<u>February 1962</u>							
Canada -	217,144	128,005	55,540	29,066	4,533	41,337	15,158
Nfld.	6,499	4,275	1,097	1,040	87	1,693	426
P.E.I.	1,137	824	192	102	19	230	44
N.S.	12,212	6,187	4,753	1,085	187	2,071	602
N.B.	9,558	6,168	1,908	1,282	200	1,816	533
Que.	67,991	40,317	16,990	9,425	1,259	14,824	4,876
Ont.	70,927	41,205	18,781	9,232	1,709	12,299	4,832
Man.	9,322	6,157	1,848	1,162	155	1,294	678
Sask.	6,630	4,383	1,220	931	96	1,170	359
Alta.	12,448	7,320	3,238	1,621	269	2,331	1,053
B.C.	20,420	11,169	5,513	3,186	552	3,609	1,755

(1) In addition 49,907 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 5,572 were special requests not granted and 3,044 were appeals by claimants. There were 11,277 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during February 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1)	13,203	517	53	466	651	4,426	3,812	590	379	770	1,539
	1962	15,270	606	57	579	893	5,236	4,293	575	428	793	1,810
Claimants disqualified	1963	35,518	959	180	1,295	1,177	11,686	12,645	1,434	927	2,100	3,115
	1962	33,012	961	111	1,362	1,267	10,769	11,309	1,227	947	1,794	3,265
Not unemployed	1963	1,467	44	14	84	77	538	345	62	120	94	89
	1962	1,644	44	5	48	56	642	361	90	147	97	154
Not capable of and not available for work	1963	11,317	249	58	380	362	3,002	4,438	636	382	741	1,069
	1962	10,061	191	30	312	311	3,046	3,867	388	307	553	1,056
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963	407	-	-	1	1	130	275	-	-	-	-
	1962	121	-	-	-	1	14	93	4	-	7	2
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963	2,138	31	10	152	44	802	710	81	41	121	146
	1962	1,959	39	6	231	73	615	696	42	45	88	124
Discharged for misconduct	1963	1,895	30	8	59	44	672	687	73	40	136	146
	1962	1,699	27	5	73	34	634	631	55	35	71	134
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963	8,298	213	40	279	238	2,748	2,748	378	199	573	882
	1962	8,041	256	25	260	262	2,918	2,421	355	208	569	767
Other reasons	1963	9,996	392	50	340	411	3,794	3,442	204	145	435	783
	1962	9,487	404	40	438	530	2,900	3,240	293	205	409	1,028
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during February												
	1963	6,200	500	52	290	425	1,890	1,897	212	125	263	546

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - February - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	591.9	590.4
Newfoundland	39.1	30.1
Prince Edward Island	7.5	6.4
Nova Scotia	33.7	33.1
New Brunswick	31.4	28.7
Quebec	176.6	169.9
Ontario	165.1	176.7
Manitoba	29.1	30.9
Saskatchewan	22.9	23.5
Alberta	31.9	30.4
British Columbia	54.6	60.7

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - February - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,367,753	58,741,717	2,361,458	57,988,335
Nfld.	156,267	3,757,557	120,308	2,867,824
P.E.I.	29,907	664,155	25,438	553,172
N.S.	134,630	3,081,694	132,538	3,105,439
N.B.	125,814	2,812,541	114,670	2,545,225
Que.	706,385	17,798,027	679,638	16,864,792
Ont.	660,537	16,323,862	706,879	17,373,885
Man.	116,546	2,900,714	123,655	3,064,322
Sask.	91,613	2,314,540	93,859	2,322,687
Alta.	127,550	3,350,091	121,569	3,070,080
B.C.	218,504	5,738,536	242,904	6,220,909

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

February 1963

Canada -	2,225,107	142,646	102,407
Newfoundland	149,455	6,812	5,759
Prince Edward Island	28,894	1,013	781
Nova Scotia	124,904	9,726	7,787
New Brunswick	118,611	7,203	5,063
Quebec	665,613	40,772	25,783
Ontario	618,931	41,606	30,280
Manitoba	109,768	6,778	5,254
Saskatchewan	86,321	5,292	3,822
Alberta	119,506	8,044	5,565
British Columbia	203,104	15,400	12,313

February 1962

Canada -	2,217,070	144,388	104,954
Newfoundland	114,559	5,749	4,553
Prince Edward Island	24,663	775	588
Nova Scotia	123,689	8,849	7,129
New Brunswick	108,018	6,652	4,548
Quebec	642,793	36,845	23,928
Ontario	659,617	47,262	34,282
Manitoba	116,366	7,289	5,246
Saskatchewan	88,946	4,913	3,619
Alberta	112,063	9,506	7,195
British Columbia	226,356	16,548	13,866

Seasonal Benefit, 1962-63 period

Provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 19, 1962 to mid-May 1963, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 3(1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their rights to seasonal benefit and wishing to be re-considered for benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks,(2) exhaustion will not occur before February 16.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class is based entirely on contributions during this period, i.e. since March 31, 1962. The authorization will be 5 full weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution(2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 19, 1962. The authorization will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate(3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen)(4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 26.
- (2) While the minimum entitlement on SBA claims is 13 weeks (SBB, 12 weeks) claims established subsequent to the week ending March 2, 1963 provide entitlement only for the number of weeks remaining between the date of establishment and May 18.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1963 - February - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	196,292	158,665	37,627	207,282	165,615	41,667
Nfld.	20,430	19,921	509	19,078	18,468	610
P.E.I.	4,285	3,664	621	4,101	3,485	616
N.S.	15,426	13,490	1,936	15,265	13,431	1,834
N.B.	16,190	13,667	2,523	16,854	14,169	2,685
Que.	56,489	47,014	9,475	58,827	48,209	10,618
Ont.	41,510	28,730	12,780	49,242	34,388	14,854
Man.	8,703	6,825	1,878	9,125	7,340	1,785
Sask.	5,975	4,812	1,163	6,981	5,564	1,417
Alta.	7,884	6,468	1,416	7,589	5,770	1,819
B.C.	19,400	14,074	5,326	20,220	14,791	5,429

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1963 - February - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	29,938	29,773	165	27,588	27,468	120
Nfld.	11,927	11,901	26	10,040	10,039	1
P.E.I.	2,080	2,020	60	1,980	1,923	57
N.S.	5,820	5,806	14	5,562	5,552	10
N.B.	3,881	3,863	18	3,914	3,897	17
Que.	1,349	1,340	9	1,150	1,144	6
Ont.	675	666	9	658	654	4
Man.	146	146	-	167	167	-
Sask.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alta.	34	34	-	20	20	-
B.C.	4,026	3,997	29	4,097	4,072	25

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from an insured person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the claimant's contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test the claimant's attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which he is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, this record is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: The number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of

unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, these claims overstate the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no **disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and

constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues. Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$23.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an initial claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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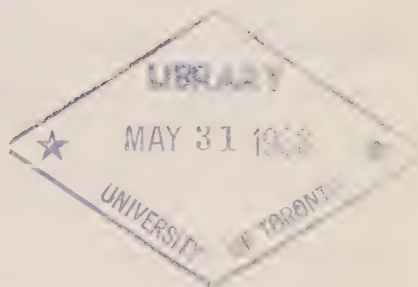
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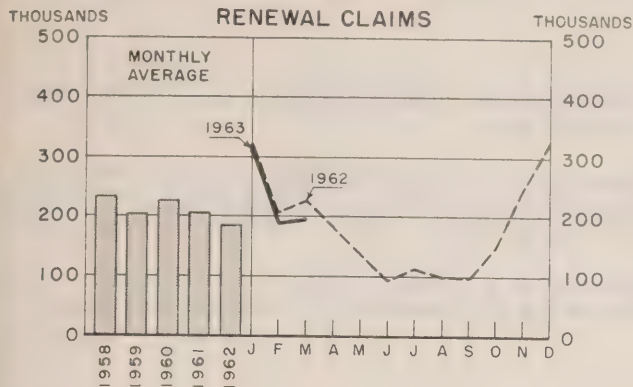
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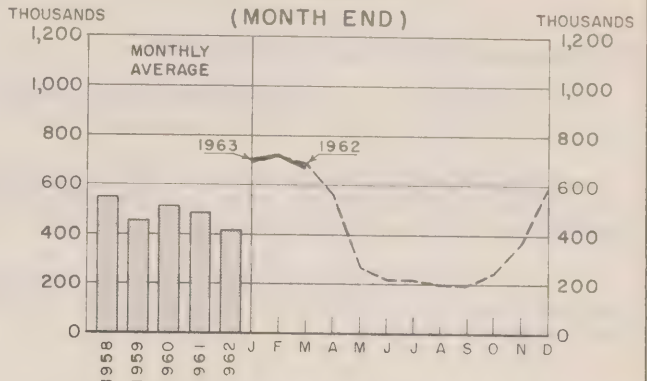
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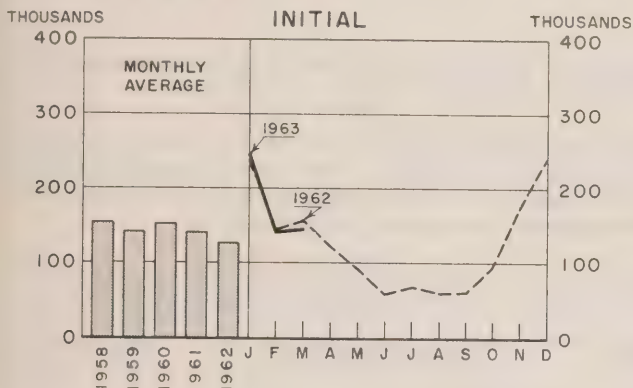
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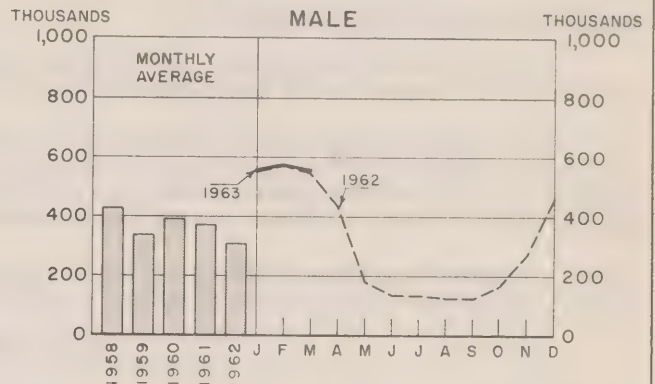
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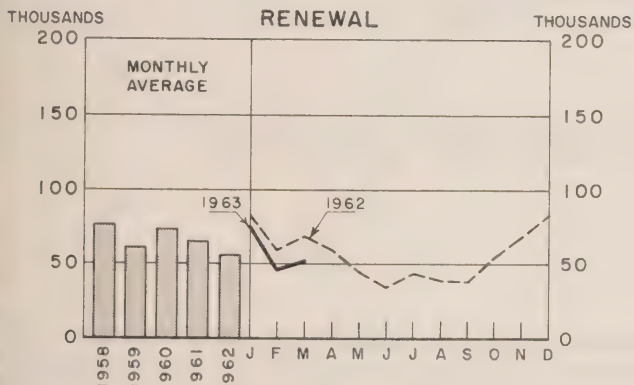
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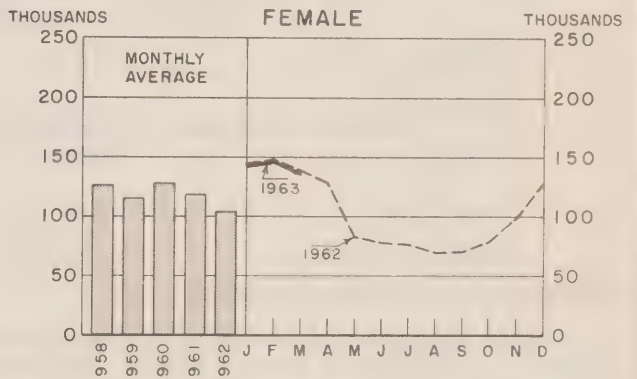
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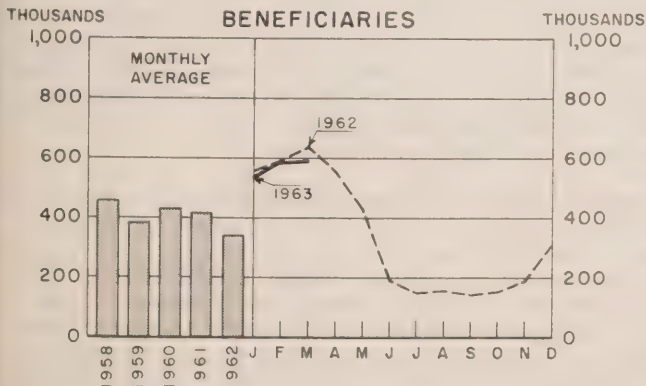
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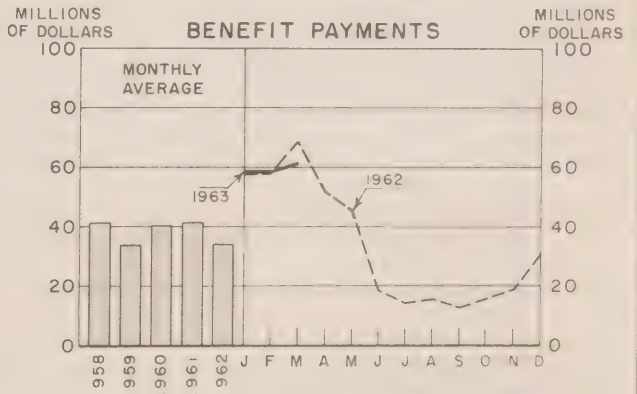
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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

MARCH 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on March 29 totalled 685,300, down 35,000 from the end of February but virtually unchanged from March 30, 1962.

An average claim record of 7 weeks was indicated for about two-thirds of the March 29 claimants, while close to 30 per cent averaged 20 weeks on continuous claim. The segment for which an uninterrupted claim had been maintained more than 6 months made up only 5 per cent of the total.

Some 160,000(1) claimants withdrew from claimant status during the month. Exhaustions of seasonal benefit accounted for an estimated 55,000(2), while the remaining 105,000 are presumed to have returned to work.

Initial and renewal claims filed

A total of 195,900 initial and renewal claims were filed during March, a slight increase over the 188,500 for February but approximately 30,000 below March 1962.

New cases during March totalled 136,200, comprising about 70 per cent of the total. The new cases include the 52,300 renewal claims but only 83,900 of the initials. The remaining 60,000 initial claims, on behalf of claimants exhausting regular and requesting an extension under the seasonal benefit terms, do not represent a separation from employment during the current month.

During the seasonal benefit period the proportion of initial claims identified as "transitional" increases as the season advances. This will be readily seen from the following table:

	<u>All initial claims</u>	<u>"Transitional"(3)</u>	<u>New</u>
		Per cent	
December 1962	100	12	88
January 1963	100	22	78
February 1963	100	32	68
March 1963	100	42	58

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 589,700 for March, 591,900 for February and 638,800 for March 1962. Benefit payments amounted to \$61.3 million during March in comparison with \$58.7 million in February and \$68.8 million in March 1962. The average weekly payment was \$24.75 for March, \$24.81 for February and \$24.49 for March 1962. The increase in payments as contrasted with the decline in the month-end claimant count is not contradictory, since payment data usually lag behind the other series. Payment data take into account the entire month's operation, whereas the claimant count reflects an inventory at the month-end and hence is the more sensitive indicator of changing conditions. The March data also include supplementary payments which, in other months, would be included in the month following; this is in order to obtain a fiscal year balance.

- (1) This figure of 160,000 is arrived at in the following manner: Claimant count February 28 (720,500) plus 136,200 new cases during March minus 9,100 failures equal a potential claimant volume of 847,600. Difference between 847,600 and 685,300 equals 162,300.
- (2) Based on 1961-62 experience. The maximum potential number of seasonal benefit exhaustions as at the end of March was 70,000 but not all seasonal benefit claimants exhaust their benefit. To the extent that the actual number of exhaustions was lower, the estimate of 105,000 is understated.
- (3) A transitional claim is any initial claim filed by a claimant terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits. It thus includes persons re-qualifying for regular benefit as well as those terminating regular benefit and being considered for seasonal. During the seasonal benefit period, however, the bulk of cases involve transition from regular to seasonal.

Claims by province

All provinces shared in the February 28 to March 29 decline in the claimant count.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	<u>February 28 to March 29, 1963</u>			<u>March 30, 1962 to March 29, 1963</u>			<u>February 28 to March 30, 1962</u>		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 5	- 4	- 7	-	-	- 2	- 4	- 4	- 5
Nfld.	- 11	- 10	- 16	- 1	-	- 15	- 6	- 6	- 3
P.E.I.	- 12	- 11	- 20	+ 2	+ 4	- 6	- 11	- 10	- 13
N.S.	- 2	- 2	- 4	- 8	- 10	+ 10	+ 2	+ 3	- 4
N.B.	- 2	- 1	- 9	+ 1	- 1	+ 9	- 1	+ 1	- 12
Que.	- 2	- 2	- 7	+ 4	+ 5	- 2	- 3	- 3	- 4
Ont.	- 4	- 3	- 4	- 1	-	- 2	- 6	- 7	- 4
Man.	- 10	- 10	- 9	- 5	- 6	- 1	- 7	- 8	- 4
Sask.	- 8	- 8	- 7	- 4	- 2	- 10	- 8	- 9	- 3
Alta.	- 9	- 5	- 24	- 6	-	- 28	+ 2	+ 6	- 13
B.C.	- 9	- 11	- 5	- 2	- 4	+ 4	- 8	- 9	- 6

Both regular and fishing benefit claimants declined during March but there was an increase in the number claiming "non-fishing seasonal benefit". Exhaustions occurred among both fishing and non-fishing seasonal benefit claimants; however transitional claims arising from regular exhaustions offset exhaustions among non-fishing seasonal benefit claimants, to the extent that the latter group increased by some 12,000. As fishing claimants, however, usually decline after February, the incidence of transitional claims among this group is practically negligible.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count, by type of claimant,
February 28 to March 30, 1963

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Non-fishing seasonal benefit</u>	<u>Fishing seasonal benefit</u>
Canada	- 8	+ 7	- 16
Nfld.	- 13	+ 8	- 20
P.E.I.	- 14	+ 3	- 24
N.S.	- 4	+ 6	- 7
N.B.	- 7	+ 11	- 12
Que.	- 6	+ 7	- 12
Ont.	- 7	+ 10	- 13
Man.	- 14	-	(1)
Sask.	- 15	+ 16	-
Alta.	- 12	+ 2	(1)
B.C.	- 12	+ 4	- 20

(1) Very small numbers involved.

The March claim load was higher than February in all provinces except Prince Edward Island and Ontario where there was no change. By contrast, sizeable declines from March 1962 occurred in all provinces except Quebec.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	<u>February to March 1963</u>			<u>March 1962 to March 1963</u>			<u>February to March 1962</u>		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 4	+ 1	+ 13	- 13	- 9	- 23	+ 10	+ 8	+ 15
Nfld.	+ 19	+ 15	+ 43	- 9	- 1	- 35	+ 21	+ 15	+ 45
P.E.I.	-	+ 4	- 20	- 11	- 7	- 31	+ 7	+ 11	- 12
N.S.	+ 16	+ 4	+ 73	- 36	- 8	- 66	+ 25	+ 6	+ 54
N.B.	+ 10	+ 9	+ 13	- 14	- 11	- 22	+ 24	+ 24	+ 25
Que.	+ 2	+ 4	- 2	- 5	- 4	- 7	+ 3	+ 7	- 6
Ont.	-	- 4	+ 11	- 13	- 11	- 17	+ 4	+ 1	+ 9
Man.	+ 4	+ 4	+ 8	- 14	- 11	- 26	+ 12	+ 13	+ 10
Sask.	+ 3	+ 1	+ 14	- 19	- 16	- 32	+ 6	+ 8	+ 1
Alta.	+ 8	-	+ 34	- 17	- 15	- 21	+ 19	+ 19	+ 20
B.C.	+ 8	- 4	+ 43	- 21	- 13	- 33	+ 30	+ 15	+ 60

The following table indicates the relative importance of transitional claims for the provinces during the current seasonal benefit period:

Transitional claims as a per cent of all initial claims

	<u>December 1962</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February 1963</u>	<u>March</u>
Canada	12	22	32	42
Nfld.	4	17	43	58
P.E.I.	4	19	39	75
N.S.	13	20	36	47
N.B.	11	24	38	56
Que.	12	23	30	41
Ont.	13	22	29	36
Man.	13	20	39	47
Sask.	10	21	37	57
Alta.	14	18	31	39
B.C.	14	24	30	35

The relatively lower incidence of transitional cases in Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, as contrasted with experience elsewhere, for December, is doubtless associated with the prominence of fishing claims in those provinces. In addition, whereas only about a third of the seasonal benefit periods are established during December at the national level, the proportion is over 50 per cent for Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Mar. 1963	Feb. 1963	Mar. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Feb. 1963	Mar. 1962	January to March		12 months ending March	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,263	4,144	..	..	..	4,154*	..	4,031*
Initial and renewal claims filed	196	189	226	+ 4	- 13	704	752	2,144	2,374
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	685	720	687	- 5	-	703*	702*	414*	450*
Regular	481	524	467	- 8	+ 3				
S.B.	204	196	220	+ 4	- 7				
S.B. Fishing (incl. in S.B.)	25	30	23	- 16	+ 7				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	590	592	639	-	- 8	573*	596*	334*	380*
Weeks compensated	2,477	2,368	2,811	+ 5	- 12	7,207	7,525	16,610	18,935
Benefit paid	\$ 61,287	58,742	68,827	+ 4	- 11	178,589	184,614	403,182	454,748

Average weekly benefit	\$	24.75	24.81	24.49	-	+ 1	24.78	24.53	24.27	24.02
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - February	4,263,000	3,542,500	720,500(1)
January	4,241,000	3,537,900	703,100(1)
1962 - December	4,212,000	3,620,000	592,000(1)
November	4,094,000	3,719,800	374,200(1)
October	3,991,000	3,746,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500
February	4,161,000	3,442,300	718,700

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population since last May. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants. An additional factor stems from the fact that the number of claimants is ascertained by actual count, in local offices across Canada, whereas the employed figure is an estimate.

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Prov.	1963 - March - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	195,918	143,626	52,292	225,813	157,663	68,150
Nfld.	6,483	5,390	1,093	7,142	5,459	1,683
P.E.I.	983	860	123	1,108	929	179
N.S.	9,039	6,720	2,319	14,233	7,338	6,895
N.B.	9,460	7,491	1,969	10,963	8,439	2,524
Que.	64,269	48,196	16,073	67,683	50,431	17,252
Ont.	60,150	41,796	18,354	68,868	46,725	22,143
Man.	8,887	7,244	1,643	10,350	8,127	2,223
Sask.	5,323	4,452	871	6,595	5,312	1,283
Alta.	11,822	8,586	3,236	14,169	10,048	4,121
B.C.	19,502	12,891	6,611	24,702	14,855	9,847

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 45,094.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex.	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Percent- age Postal	March 30, 1962 Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)		
	March 29, 1963						
CANADA -	685,292	176,702	274,467	197,977	36,146	44.7	687,450
MALE	548,207	143,627	222,087	159,972	22,521	48.1	547,100
FEMALE	137,085	33,075	52,380	38,005	13,625	31.0	140,350
Nfld.	35,771	6,845	13,176	13,947	1,803	81.6	35,990
Male	34,112	6,434	12,572	13,351	1,755	82.5	34,035
Female	1,659	411	604	596	48	63.9	1,955
P.E.I.	7,046	609	2,899	3,340	198	78.9	6,906
Male	6,024	470	2,539	2,860	155	81.5	5,819
Female	1,022	139	360	480	43	63.8	1,087
N.S.	40,059	7,900	18,008	12,030	2,121	60.6	43,371
Male	34,283	6,632	15,642	10,456	1,553	62.8	38,119
Female	5,776	1,268	2,366	1,574	568	47.4	5,252
N.B.	38,780	7,436	15,934	13,691	1,719	73.1	38,536
Male	32,674	6,615	13,657	11,223	1,179	75.6	32,932
Female	6,106	821	2,277	2,468	540	60.1	5,604
Que.	215,779	58,924	87,536	57,578	11,741	44.4	207,675
Male	179,905	49,515	75,430	48,079	6,881	47.9	171,116
Female	35,874	9,409	12,106	9,499	4,860	26.9	36,559
Ont.	193,995	54,167	75,870	52,746	11,212	28.5	195,136
Male	143,492	41,369	56,771	38,836	6,516	29.3	143,506
Female	50,503	12,798	19,099	13,910	4,696	26.1	51,630
Man.	32,130	8,226	13,755	9,102	1,047	38.4	33,777
Male	24,719	6,398	9,990	7,564	767	42.5	26,262
Female	7,411	1,828	3,765	1,538	280	24.6	7,515
Sask.	23,934	5,026	9,325	8,677	906	54.4	24,867
Male	19,332	4,113	7,327	7,430	462	59.1	19,762
Female	4,602	913	1,998	1,247	444	35.0	5,105
Alta.	35,593	8,945	16,605	8,759	1,284	65.3	37,878
Male	29,923	7,869	14,014	7,095	945	64.7	30,049
Female	5,670	1,076	2,591	1,664	339	68.2	7,829
B.C.	62,205	18,624	21,359	18,107	4,115	30.7	63,314
Male	43,743	14,212	14,145	13,078	2,308	33.9	45,500
Female	18,462	4,412	7,214	5,029	1,807	23.2	17,814

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>March 1963</u>							
Canada -	193,232	119,038	46,390	22,974	4,830	45,958	15,132
Nfld.	5,617	4,088	836	590	103	2,176	411
P.E.I.	1,000	807	90	87	16	265	57
N.S.	8,198	5,337	1,940	747	174	2,341	540
N.B.	9,091	6,196	1,835	905	155	2,325	584
Que.	65,571	41,166	15,237	7,677	1,491	15,800	4,589
Ont.	60,025	34,706	16,205	7,278	1,836	12,626	5,085
Man.	8,680	6,094	1,413	1,039	134	2,199	584
Sask.	5,321	3,898	721	618	84	1,466	323
Alta.	10,919	6,649	2,605	1,421	244	3,051	1,126
B.C.	18,810	10,097	5,508	2,612	593	3,709	1,833

March 1962

Canada -	229,044	133,072	65,164	25,749	5,059	40,179	13,085
Nfld.	7,258	4,607	1,643	888	120	1,657	346
P.E.I.	1,040	778	162	83	17	298	44
N.S.	13,932	6,097	6,632	959	244	2,353	621
N.B.	10,398	6,882	2,368	1,003	145	2,370	544
Que.	69,895	43,093	17,116	8,433	1,253	13,729	3,759
Ont.	70,966	39,986	20,953	8,184	1,843	10,854	4,179
Man.	10,295	6,758	2,235	1,064	238	1,599	428
Sask.	6,712	4,657	1,223	706	126	1,119	293
Alta.	14,511	8,564	3,941	1,644	362	2,171	871
B.C.	24,037	11,650	8,891	2,785	711	4,029	2,000

(1) In addition 45,893 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 4,657 were special requests not granted and 3,117 were appeals by claimants. There were 10,478 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1)	9,129	250	33	285	499	3,363	2,304	468	195	553	1,179
	1962	12,100	477	40	462	611	4,331	3,276	531	250	652	1,470
Claimants disqualified	1963	34,913	819	168	1,168	1,205	11,981	11,902	1,453	930	1,855	3,432
	1962	34,436	892	127	1,244	1,134	11,270	11,846	1,455	912	2,140	3,416
Not unemployed	1963	1,321	46	12	43	42	564	323	53	75	72	91
	1962	1,549	43	4	38	35	710	310	76	109	117	107
Not capable of and not available for work	1963	11,032	170	42	341	349	3,183	4,144	680	412	685	1,026
	1962	10,799	196	28	359	305	3,253	4,156	551	300	586	1,065
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963	377	-	-	3	132	105	131	-	1	-	5
	1962	154	-	-	7	1	20	115	-	-	2	9
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963	2,149	36	16	114	43	716	851	64	48	88	173
	1962	1,940	61	22	136	53	587	728	58	35	134	126
Discharged for misconduct	1963	1,868	40	5	51	48	649	668	73	48	101	185
	1962	1,760	42	6	43	35	617	659	76	32	109	141
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963	8,039	172	30	251	214	2,537	2,676	350	218	559	1,032
	1962	8,467	195	28	270	217	2,790	2,682	432	263	674	916
Other reasons	1963	10,127	355	63	365	377	4,227	3,109	233	128	350	920
	1962	9,767	355	39	391	488	3,293	3,196	262	173	518	1,052

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during March

1963	3,669	244	39	146	308	1,238	952	137	66	195	344
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Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - March - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	589.7	638.8
Newfoundland	35.9	33.7
Prince Edward Island	7.1	8.0
Nova Scotia	34.3	38.7
New Brunswick	33.2	33.9
Quebec	185.4	184.9
Ontario	163.9	188.8
Manitoba	28.7	33.6
Saskatchewan	21.0	26.3
Alberta	30.5	33.4
British Columbia	49.5	57.5

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - March - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,476,641	61,287,118	2,810,753	68,826,613
Nfld.	150,971	3,657,285	148,471	3,565,525
P.E.I.	29,891	661,337	35,146	754,106
N.S.	143,915	3,286,444	170,318	3,922,160
N.B.	139,450	3,139,406	149,074	3,324,348
Que.	778,526	19,686,131	813,539	20,413,939
Ont.	688,492	16,976,348	830,839	20,314,954
Man.	120,727	2,985,360	147,896	3,612,411
Sask.	88,397	2,213,837	115,767	2,836,453
Alta.	128,199	3,318,499	146,837	3,728,122
B.C.	208,073	5,362,471	252,866	6,354,595

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

March 1963

Canada -	2,324,813	151,828	110,293
Newfoundland	143,725	7,246	6,144
Prince Edward Island	28,741	1,150	861
Nova Scotia	133,947	9,968	8,073
New Brunswick	131,900	7,550	5,175
Quebec	735,195	43,331	27,560
Ontario	642,911	45,581	34,466
Manitoba	113,116	7,611	5,686
Saskatchewan	82,791	5,606	4,097
Alberta	119,637	8,562	6,167
British Columbia	192,850	15,223	12,064

March 1962

Canada -	2,638,578	172,175	125,683
Newfoundland	141,301	7,170	5,789
Prince Edward Island	33,895	1,251	967
Nova Scotia	158,713	11,605	9,360
New Brunswick	140,262	8,812	5,973
Quebec	768,220	45,319	29,860
Ontario	776,032	54,807	40,587
Manitoba	138,616	9,280	6,777
Saskatchewan	109,634	6,133	4,546
Alberta	137,771	9,066	5,940
British Columbia	234,134	18,732	15,884

Seasonal Benefit, 1962-63 period

Provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 19, 1962 to mid-May 1963, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 3(1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their rights to seasonal benefit and wishing to be re-considered for benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks,(2) exhaustion will not occur before February 16.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class is based entirely on contributions during this period, i.e. since March 31, 1962. The authorization will be 5 full weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution(2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 19, 1962. The authorization will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate(3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen)(4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 26.
- (2) While the minimum entitlement on SBA claims is 13 weeks (SBB, 12 weeks) claims established subsequent to the week ending March 2, 1963 provide entitlement only for the number of weeks remaining between the date of establishment and May 18.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1963 - March - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	203,911	166,110	37,801	220,091	177,969	42,122
Nfld.	18,691	18,135	556	18,338	17,724	614
P.E.I.	3,857	3,382	475	3,819	3,292	527
N.S.	15,610	13,709	1,901	15,850	14,007	1,843
N.B.	17,061	14,717	2,344	17,328	15,068	2,260
Que.	60,390	51,047	9,343	64,741	53,708	11,033
Ont.	45,364	31,870	13,494	52,643	37,521	15,122
Man.	8,869	7,276	1,593	9,961	8,173	1,788
Sask.	6,925	5,656	1,269	7,945	6,375	1,570
Alta.	8,018	6,766	1,252	9,077	7,324	1,753
B.C.	19,126	13,552	5,574	20,389	14,777	5,612

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1963 - March - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	25,211	25,104	107	23,482	23,399	83
Nfld.	9,487	9,467	20	8,665	8,657	8
P.E.I.	1,589	1,562	27	1,570	1,536	34
N.S.	5,422	5,421	1	5,179	5,174	5
N.B.	3,418	3,403	15	3,143	3,131	12
Que.	1,189	1,182	7	955	952	3
Ont.	589	580	9	499	496	3
Man.	287	287	-	229	229	-
Sask.	1	1	-	-	-	-
Alta.	16	16	-	22	22	-
B.C.	3,213	3,185	28	3,220	3,202	18

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and **no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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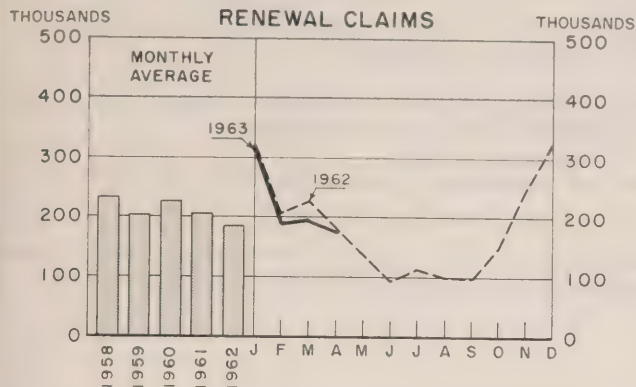
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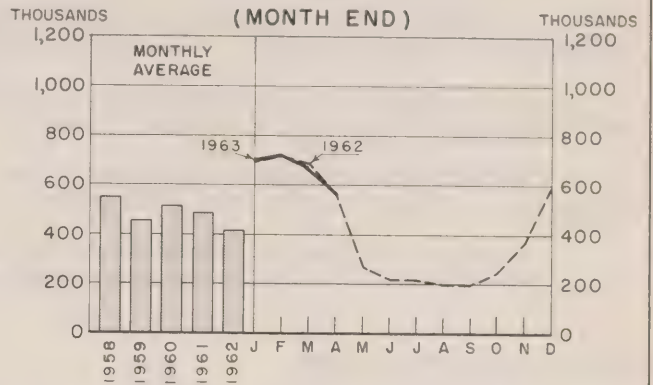
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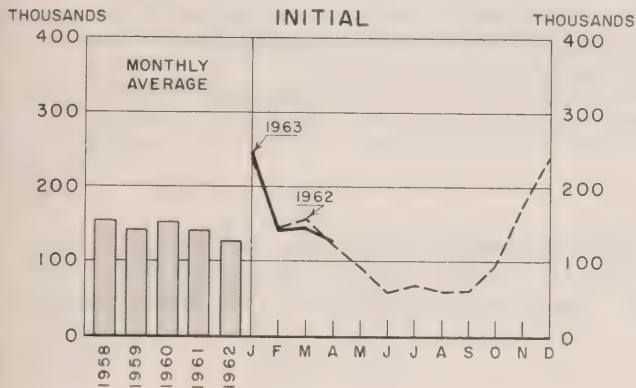
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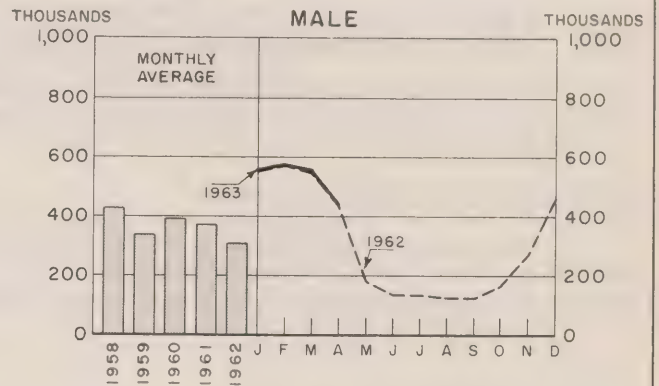
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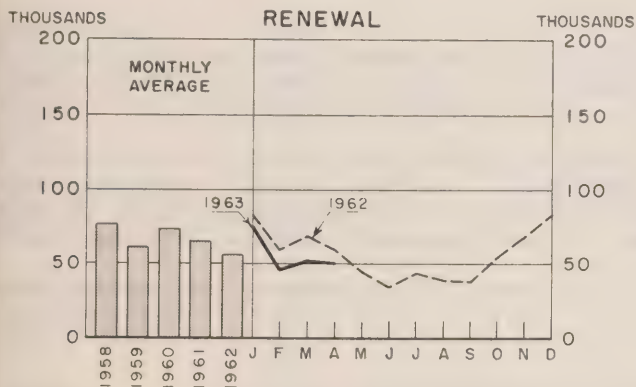
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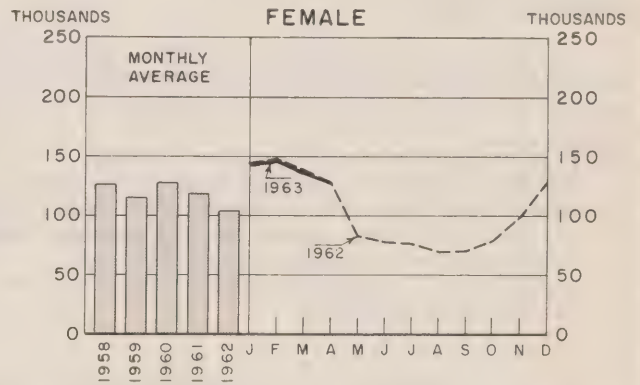
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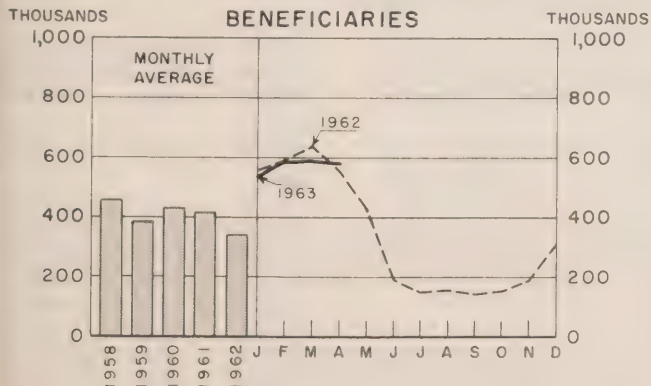
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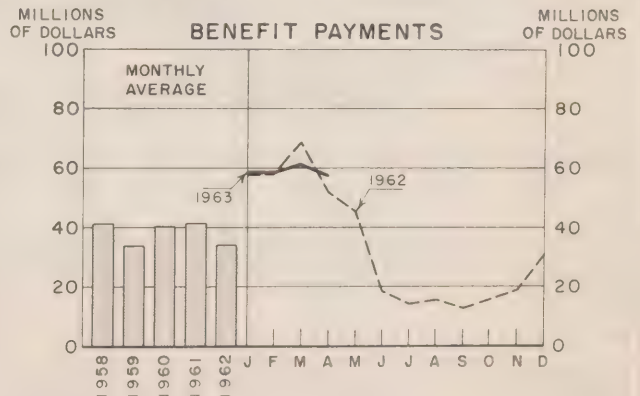
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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

APRIL 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit numbered 565,900 on April 30, approximately 120,000 fewer than on March 29. On April 30, 1962, the count was 564,500.

It is estimated that approximately 165,000(1) persons eligible to receive either regular or seasonal benefit withdrew from claimant status and returned to work during the month.

Two-thirds of the month-end claimants had been on continuous claim between 15 and 16 weeks. Most of the remainder came on during the month.

As of April 30, men accounted for 80 per cent of those on continuous claim from 1 to 26 weeks, but they comprised only slightly more than 60 per cent of those on claim 27 weeks or longer.

Initial and renewal claims

A total of 175,600 initial and renewal claims was filed at local offices across Canada during April. This is 20,000 fewer than in March and approximately 6,000 below the April 1962 volume.

Of the 175,600 claims, approximately 118,000, or two-thirds, were separations from employment during April. For March, this proportion was 70 per cent.

Beneficiaries and Benefit Payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 582,000 for April, 589,700 for March and 556,300 for April 1962. Payments amounted to \$57.6 million during April, in comparison with \$61.3 million in March(2) and \$51.6 million in April 1962. The average weekly payment was \$24.73 for April, \$24.75 for March and \$24.43 for April 1962.

Claims by province

The April 30 claimant count was lower in all provinces, the largest percentage declines occurring in Prince Edward Island, Saskatchewan and Ontario. In comparison with April 30, 1962, only Ontario and the Prairie provinces indicated declines, small increases occurring elsewhere.

- (1) This estimate is calculated as follows: To the March 29 claimant count of 685,300 is added the 118,300 new claims arising from disemployment during April. The April failures, numbering 9,700 are deducted as are also the maximum potential number of seasonal benefit exhaustions during the month (63,000). However, since not all seasonal benefit claimants exhaust, the latter deduction tends to underestimate the return-to-work volume.
- (2) Supplementary payments for March were included in that month, whereas normally they would be added to the month following.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	March 29 to April 30, 1963			April 30, 1962 to April 30, 1963			March 30 to April 30, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 17	- 20	- 7	-	+ 1	- 1	- 18	- 20	- 8
Nfld.	- 18	- 18	- 10	+ 8	+ 10	- 12	- 24	- 25	- 13
P.E.I.	- 30	- 32	- 17	+ 2	+ 4	- 4	- 30	- 32	- 19
N.S.	- 14	- 15	- 8	+ 2	+ 1	+ 12	- 23	- 24	- 9
N.B.	- 10	- 9	- 12	+ 7	+ 7	+ 9	- 15	- 16	- 12
Que.	- 16	- 19	- 5	+ 3	+ 5	- 3	- 16	- 19	- 4
Ont.	- 23	- 27	- 8	- 4	- 5	- 2	- 20	- 24	- 9
Man.	- 14	- 15	- 12	- 6	- 7	- 3	- 13	- 14	- 10
Sask.	- 28	- 30	- 16	- 9	- 9	- 11	- 23	- 25	- 15
Alta.	- 10	- 15	+ 16	- 5	- 1	- 16	- 11	- 15	-
B.C.	- 13	- 15	- 7	+ 2	-	+ 7	- 16	- 18	- 10

Percentage changes in the volume of claims filed in April are as follows:

	March to April 1963			April 1962 to April 1963			March to April 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 10	- 13	- 3	- 3	+ 2	- 15	- 20	- 23	- 13
Nfld.	- 11	- 9	- 18	+ 6	+ 12	- 16	- 24	- 20	- 37
P.E.I.	+ 21	+ 12	+ 79	+ 5	+ 13	- 20	+ 2	- 8	+ 54
N.S.	- 2	- 3	-	- 17	- 5	- 40	- 25	- 7	- 44
N.B.	+ 9	- 4	+ 59	+ 5	+ 4	+ 7	- 10	- 18	+ 15
Que.	- 15	- 18	- 7	+ 1	+ 6	- 9	- 20	- 26	- 4
Ont.	- 14	- 15	- 12	- 6	+ 1	- 19	- 20	- 24	- 10
Man.	- 18	- 24	+ 7	- 12	- 5	- 30	- 20	- 29	+ 13
Sask.	- 10	- 12	- 4	- 14	- 1	- 46	- 16	- 25	+ 21
Alta.	+ 1	- 1	+ 8	+ 1	+ 1	+ 2	- 17	- 17	- 16
B.C.	- 3	- 5	+ 2	- 2	-	- 6	- 21	- 18	- 27

Industrial Classification of Persons Filing Initial(1) Claims for
Unemployment Insurance Benefit during March 1963

Claims arising from disemployment in the manufacturing industry accounted for close to 30 per cent of the March claim(1) volume; logging, construction and trade each accounted for approximately 15 per cent.

Table 1. Percentage Distribution of Claims(1) by Industry and
Province March 1963 and 1962

Industry Group		Canada	Nfld.	PEI.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases	1963	83.9	2.2	(3)	3.6	3.3	28.4	26.9	3.8	1.9	5.3	8.4
(000's)	1962	93.1	2.8	(3)	3.6	4.4	30.9	29.0	3.7	2.3	6.6	9.7
Per cent distribution												
Forestry (mainly logging)	1963	15	14		15	31	22	9	9	1	4	11
	1962	17	37		14	38	26	9	3	3	5	16
Fishing(4) and trapping	1963	1	3		3	3	-	-	10	-	(2)	6
	1962	1	1		1	1	-	-	7	-	-	3
Mining	1963	3	4		17	1	1	1	1	8	10	2
	1962	3	2		17	1	1	2	3	6	11	9
Manufacturing	1963	29	25		24	14	29	38	19	10	16	30
	1962	25	10		19	10	25	35	22	14	17	19
Construction	1963	16	17		15	16	14	17	17	22	25	9
	1962	15	19		11	11	16	13	16	20	27	9
Transp. commun., and other utilities	1963	7	12		7	13	6	6	11	14	7	7
	1962	8	9		13	16	8	7	12	10	7	6
Trade	1963	14	16		9	11	11	14	16	22	25	15
	1962	14	11		13	12	10	16	20	23	14	15
Service	1963	10	5		5	4	10	11	11	14	7	16
	1962	10	5		5	4	10	9	10	15	11	15
Public admin. and defence	1963	3	3		2	4	5	2	3	4	3	2
	1962	4	6		4	5	3	4	4	6	5	4
Other	1963	2	1		3	3	2	2	3	5	3	2
	1962	3	-		2	2	1	5	3	3	3	4
All cases	1963	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	1962	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

- 1) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims.
- 2) Less than one-half of 1 p.c.
- 3) Less than 500.
- 4) In coding cases to the fishing industry persons whose reported occupation under covered employment was "fisherman" were coded to the fishing industry even though the nature of business of the most recent employer was other than fishing. This treatment is slightly different from the general coding practice of assigning a single code on the basis of the principal activity. Since fishermen report themselves usually as self-employed, the number of others is relatively small.

In comparison with one year ago, the industrial composition of the claims shows very little deviation, with some exceptions. For example, in Newfoundland, the very large concentration of cases in logging one year ago is associated with reduced employment caused by the severe forest fires in the summer of 1961.

Table 2 presents comparable data at quarterly intervals, since March 1962. The March rise in claims from forestry is associated partly with completion of logging operations (in central Canada) but in some areas, as in New Brunswick this year, heavy snow conditions hampered operations.

Table 2. Percentage Distribution of Claims by Industry, quarterly intervals

Industry Group	March 1963	December 1962	September 1962	June 1962	March 1962
Total new cases (000's)	83.9	212.2	55.5	50.7	93.1
	Per cent distribution				
Forestry (mainly logging)	15	7	3	2	17
Fishing and trapping	1	6	(1)	(1)	1
Mining	3	2	2	2	3
Manufacturing	29	28	30	33	25
Construction	16	24	14	11	15
Transportation, communication and other utilities	7	10	8	9	8
Trade	14	9	18	17	14
Service	10	7	15	15	10
Public administration and defence	3	5	6	7	4
Other	2	3	5	4	3
All cases	100	100	100	100	100

(1) Less than one-half of 1 p.c.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Apr. 1963	Mar. 1963	Apr. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Mar. 1963	Apr. 1962	January to April		12 months ending April	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,194	4,064	..	..	..	4,132*	..	4,026*
Initial and renewal claims filed	176	196	181	- 10	- 3	879	933	2,139	2,346
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	566	685	564	- 17	-	669*	667*	414*	437*
Regular	379	481	373	- 21	+ 1				
S.B.	187	204	191	- 8	- 2				
S.B. Fishing (incl. in S.B.)	15	25	13	- 40	+ 13				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	582	590	556	- 1	+ 5	575*	586*	336*	368*
Weeks compensated	2,328	2,477	2,114	- 6	+ 10	9,535	9,639	16,824	18,357
Benefit paid	\$ 57,583	61,287	51,647	- 6	+ 11	236,172	236,261	409,118	441,855

Average weekly benefit	\$ 24.73	24.75	24.43	-	+ 1	24.77	24.51	24.32	24.07
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - March	4,194,000	3,508,700	685,300(1)
February	4,246,000	3,525,500	720,500(1)
January	4,241,000	3,537,900	703,100(1)
1962 - December	4,212,000	3,620,000	592,000(1)
November	4,094,000	3,719,800	374,200(1)
October	3,991,000	3,746,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500
March	4,144,000	3,456,500	687,500

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population since last May. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants. An additional factor stems from the fact that the number of claimants is ascertained by actual count, in local offices across Canada, whereas the employed figure is an estimate.

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Prov.	1963 - April - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	175,594	125,017	50,577	181,299	122,080	59,219
fld.	5,783	4,892	891	5,445	4,381	1,064
.E.I.	1,187	967	220	1,127	852	275
.S.	8,821	6,510	2,311	10,671	6,828	3,843
.B.	10,319	7,196	3,123	9,819	6,913	2,906
ue.	54,597	39,596	15,001	53,848	37,356	16,492
nt.	51,868	35,663	16,205	55,339	35,408	19,931
an.	7,258	5,503	1,755	8,281	5,772	2,509
ask.	4,772	3,933	839	5,526	3,971	1,555
lta.	11,980	8,475	3,505	11,827	8,374	3,453
.C.	19,009	12,282	6,727	19,416	12,225	7,191

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 41,163.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Percent- age Postal	April 30, 1962 Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)		
	April 30, 1963						
CANADA -	565,928	143,619	186,362	191,423	44,524	45.1	564,478
MALE	438,338	112,689	147,865	149,844	27,940	49.7	435,094
FEMALE	127,590	30,930	38,497	41,579	16,584	29.5	129,384
Nfld.	29,504	5,141	9,160	14,239	964	82.1	27,253
Male	28,006	4,867	8,652	13,654	833	83.2	25,552
Female	1,498	274	508	585	131	63.0	1,701
P.E.I.	4,948	758	926	3,079	185	77.3	4,826
Male	4,103	596	720	2,640	147	80.2	3,947
Female	845	162	206	439	38	63.2	879
N.S.	34,394	7,185	10,634	13,841	2,734	58.7	33,560
Male	29,074	6,248	8,817	11,995	2,014	60.9	28,790
Female	5,320	937	1,817	1,846	720	46.7	4,770
N.B.	35,011	7,566	10,331	14,798	2,316	69.1	32,678
Male	29,636	6,789	9,190	12,137	1,520	71.2	27,756
Female	5,375	777	1,141	2,661	796	57.5	4,922
Que.	180,591	43,477	64,145	58,797	14,172	44.8	174,620
Male	146,398	34,488	54,746	48,299	8,865	48.8	139,461
Female	34,193	8,989	9,399	10,498	5,307	27.5	35,159
Ont.	150,333	40,593	47,190	47,913	14,637	28.7	156,463
Male	104,079	28,635	33,492	33,032	8,920	30.5	109,444
Female	46,254	11,958	13,698	14,881	5,717	24.6	47,019
Man.	27,516	6,608	10,098	9,175	1,635	38.3	29,238
Male	20,982	5,025	7,476	7,481	1,000	43.3	22,487
Female	6,534	1,583	2,622	1,694	635	22.2	6,751
Sask.	17,328	4,107	4,856	7,230	1,135	55.1	19,061
Male	13,460	3,384	3,713	5,733	630	60.8	14,738
Female	3,868	723	1,143	1,497	505	35.3	4,323
Alta.	32,009	11,707	11,805	6,831	1,666	66.3	33,537
Male	25,433	10,162	9,352	4,888	1,031	71.5	25,691
Female	6,576	1,545	2,453	1,943	635	46.3	7,846
B.C.	54,294	16,477	17,217	15,520	5,080	32.4	53,242
Male	37,167	12,495	11,707	9,985	2,980	36.9	37,228
Female	17,127	3,982	5,510	5,535	2,100	22.9	16,014

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.*

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>April - 1963</u>							
Canada -	190,717	115,275	47,837	22,423	5,182	33,277	12,690
Nfld.	6,244	4,565	882	682	115	1,821	305
P.E.I.	1,177	885	195	74	23	273	59
N.S.	9,952	6,734	2,238	776	204	1,341	409
N.B.	10,963	7,058	2,935	805	165	1,658	607
Que.	60,098	37,950	14,003	6,630	1,515	10,816	4,072
Ont.	56,285	31,806	15,268	7,354	1,857	9,129	4,165
Man.	8,165	5,384	1,717	926	138	1,392	484
Sask.	5,201	3,701	848	572	80	1,126	234
Alta.	12,474	7,196	3,412	1,593	273	2,737	946
B.C.	20,158	9,996	6,339	3,011	812	2,984	1,409

<u>April - 1962</u>							
Canada -	188,155	104,508	54,453	24,474	4,720	33,277	13,131
Nfld.	5,841	3,868	1,022	818	133	1,352	255
P.E.I.	1,237	866	262	86	23	198	34
N.S.	11,445	6,441	3,861	950	193	1,790	410
N.B.	10,476	6,493	2,878	954	151	1,836	421
Que.	56,673	33,291	15,056	7,156	1,170	10,638	4,025
Ont.	55,999	28,806	17,771	7,679	1,743	9,777	4,596
Man.	8,287	4,851	2,061	1,169	206	1,351	670
Sask.	5,646	3,371	1,396	713	166	1,006	286
Alta.	12,113	6,751	3,308	1,778	276	2,016	740
B.C.	20,438	9,770	6,838	3,171	659	3,313	1,694

* In addition 40,981 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,900 were special requests not granted and 2,675 were appeals by claimants. There were 10,660 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during April 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963 (1)	9,657	262	33	317	445	2,922	2,763	421	228	689	1,577
	1962	13,288	418	55	468	604	4,019	3,838	633	340	1,000	1,913
Claimants disqualified	1963	34,312	836	151	1,225	1,055	11,769	11,614	1,296	851	1,885	3,630
	1962	30,991	842	119	1,201	1,049	9,811	10,399	1,402	991	1,887	3,290
Not unemployed	1963	1,112	132	4	49	72	312	239	45	62	86	111
	1962	1,195	27	8	47	27	422	261	79	83	134	107
Not capable of and not available for work	1963	10,784	165	31	317	294	3,240	4,077	595	365	637	1,063
	1962	10,394	175	30	364	300	3,097	3,803	562	365	642	1,056
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963	164	-	-	6	-	126	30	-	-	-	2
	1962	335	-	-	16	-	168	97	-	40	2	12
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963	2,225	36	29	111	52	699	936	67	57	79	159
	1962	1,921	28	21	115	61	598	730	49	64	124	131
Discharged for misconduct	1963	1,639	39	2	58	39	557	577	56	33	120	158
	1962	1,298	28	-	50	33	462	482	42	26	52	123
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963	7,494	154	31	229	177	2,252	2,610	306	181	517	1,037
	1962	7,112	164	22	211	176	2,198	2,351	399	229	505	857
Other reasons	1963	10,894	310	54	455	421	4,583	3,145	227	153	446	1,100
	1962	8,736	420	38	398	452	2,866	2,675	271	184	428	1,004
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during April 1963												
	1963	2,593	141	25	116	146	797	648	112	62	174	372

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - April - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	582.0	556.3
Newfoundland	31.5	30.0
Prince Edward Island	6.4	5.5
Nova Scotia	35.1	32.1
New Brunswick	34.9	31.7
Quebec	189.7	177.2
Ontario	158.5	154.1
Manitoba	28.3	27.7
Saskatchewan	19.0	18.5
Alberta	31.4	29.7
British Columbia	47.3	49.9

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - April - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	2,328,024	57,583,100	2,113,953	51,647,128
Nfld.	126,010	3,100,132	113,996	2,752,086
P.E.I.	25,535	565,375	20,845	448,066
N.S.	140,073	3,158,262	122,068	2,818,201
N.B.	139,511	3,198,481	120,446	2,734,135
Que.	758,895	19,051,271	673,341	16,625,251
Ont.	634,130	15,524,017	585,573	14,423,550
Man.	113,276	2,760,174	105,122	2,568,188
Sask.	75,827	1,875,046	70,209	1,698,554
Alta.	125,569	3,233,844	112,793	2,863,516
B.C.	189,198	5,116,498	189,560	4,715,581

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

April 1963

Canada -	2,165,391	162,633	117,084
Newfoundland	118,990	7,020	5,471
Prince Edward Island	24,111	1,424	947
Nova Scotia	127,820	12,253	9,672
New Brunswick	130,530	8,981	6,030
Quebec	711,708	47,187	30,304
Ontario	587,618	46,512	34,773
Manitoba	104,892	8,384	6,609
Saskatchewan	70,345	5,482	4,009
Alberta	116,093	9,476	7,079
British Columbia	173,284	15,914	12,190

April 1962

Canada -	1,969,833	144,120	105,973
Newfoundland	108,099	5,897	4,332
Prince Edward Island	19,772	1,073	769
Nova Scotia	112,233	9,835	7,939
New Brunswick	112,492	7,954	5,033
Quebec	632,109	41,232	28,309
Ontario	541,695	43,878	32,986
Manitoba	97,970	7,152	5,282
Saskatchewan	65,809	4,400	3,388
Alberta	105,005	7,788	5,596
British Columbia	174,649	14,911	12,339

Seasonal Benefit, 1962-63 period

Provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 19, 1962 to mid-May 1963, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 3(1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their rights to seasonal benefit and wishing to be re-considered for benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks,(2) exhaustion will not occur before February 16.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since March 31, 1962. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class is based entirely on contributions during this period, i.e. since March 31, 1962. The authorization will be 5 full weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution(2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 19, 1962. The authorization will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate(3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen)(4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 26.
- (2) While the minimum entitlement on SBA claims is 13 weeks (SBB, 12 weeks) claims established subsequent to the week ending March 2, 1963 provide entitlement only for the number of weeks remaining between the date of establishment and May 18.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Prov.	1963 - April - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	187,078	150,332	36,746	191,198	153,299	37,899
Nfld.	15,489	15,016	473	13,526	12,963	563
P.E.I.	2,740	2,332	408	2,685	2,243	442
N.S.	13,414	11,640	1,774	13,121	11,456	1,665
N.B.	15,387	13,318	2,069	14,668	12,657	2,011
Que.	57,906	48,894	9,012	59,486	49,088	10,398
Ont.	41,727	29,091	12,636	46,346	33,041	13,305
Man.	9,630	7,857	1,773	9,766	8,160	1,606
Sask.	6,093	4,987	1,106	6,769	5,464	1,305
Alta.	8,918	6,634	2,284	8,244	6,591	1,653
B.C.	15,774	10,563	5,211	16,587	11,636	4,951

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Prov.	1963 - April - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	15,069	15,016	53	13,304	13,269	35
Nfld.	6,574	6,563	11	5,032	5,030	2
P.E.I.	665	647	18	634	619	15
N.S.	3,299	3,298	1	3,274	3,273	1
N.B.	1,692	1,689	3	1,525	1,522	3
Que.	709	704	5	590	589	1
Ont.	249	245	4	184	183	1
Man.	329	329	-	327	327	-
Sask.	1	1	-	-	-	-
Alta.	30	30	-	18	18	-
B.C.	1,521	1,510	11	1,720	1,708	12

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and **no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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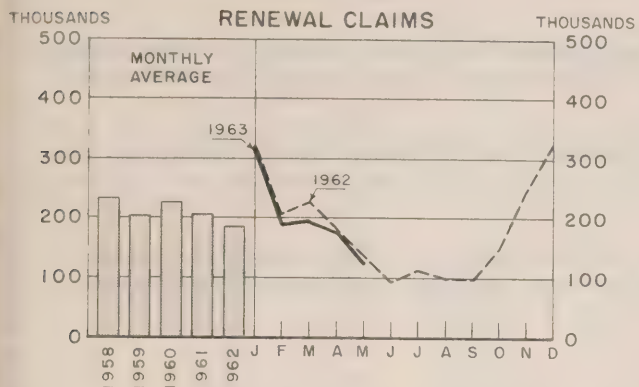
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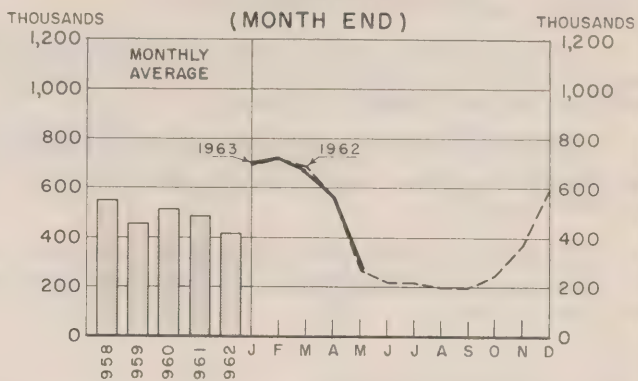
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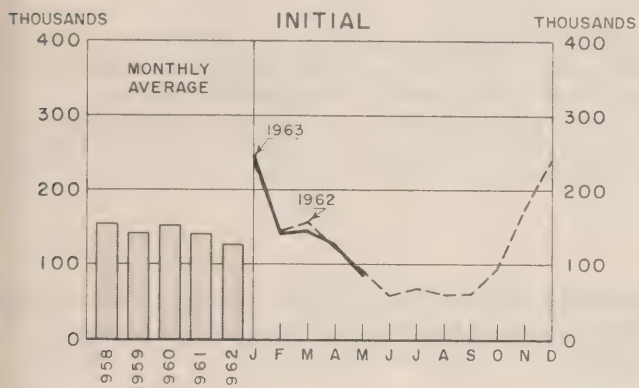
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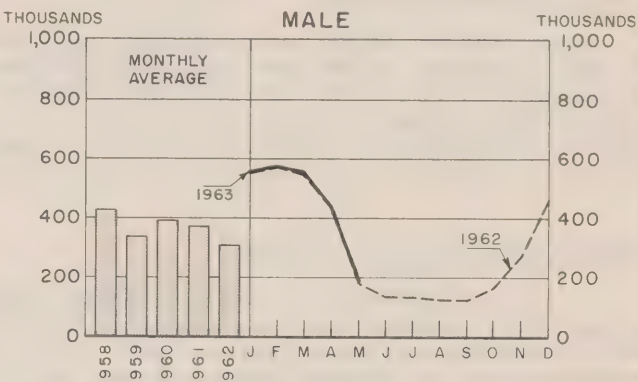
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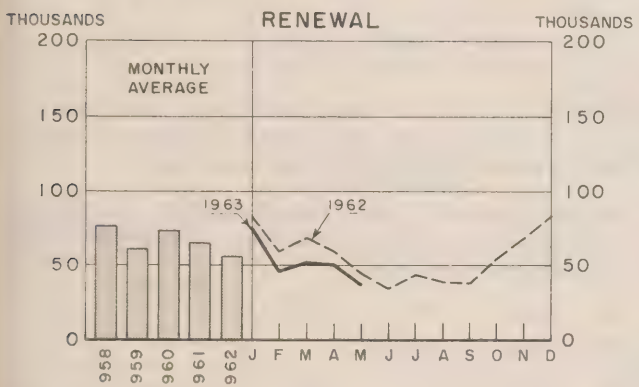
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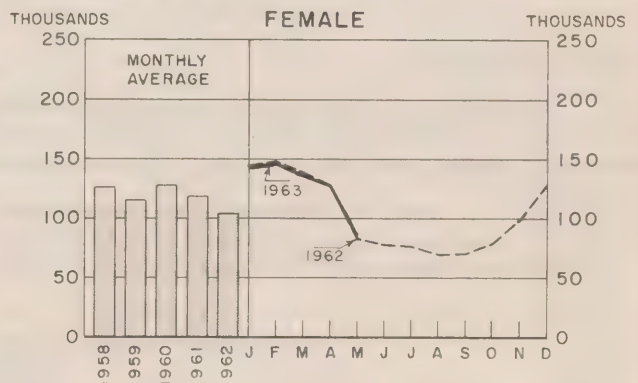
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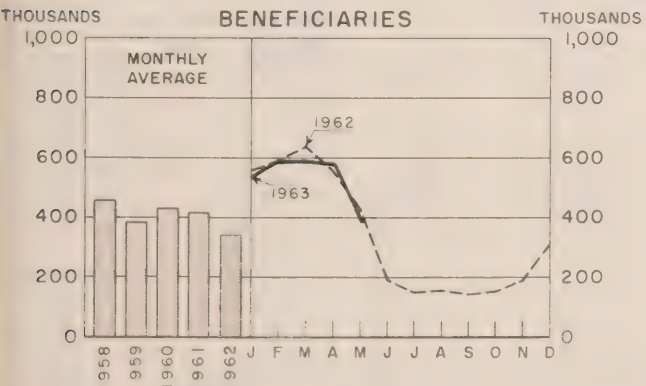
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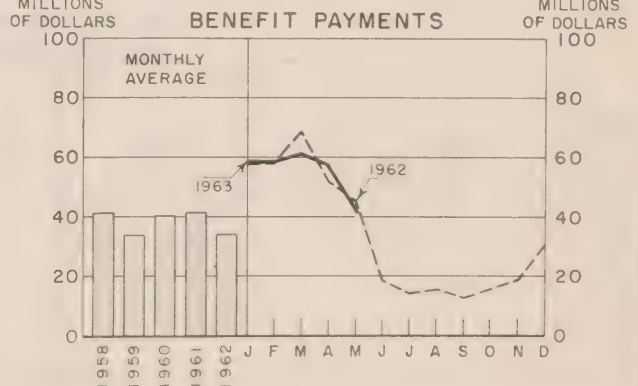
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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

MAY 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

The interval during which seasonal benefit was operative terminated on May 18. The claimant count for May 31, therefore, represents claimants for regular benefit only, whereas April figures included seasonal benefit claimants.

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit numbered 270,900 on May 31, in comparison with 263,900 one year ago. On April 30, the total of 565,900 comprised 378,800 on regular and 187,100 on seasonal benefit.

About 50 per cent of the May 31 claimants had been on continuous claim less than 8 weeks; one-third came on claim during the month and about 10 per cent had been continuously on claim more than half a year.

Initial and renewal Claims

A total of 122,900 initial and renewal claims were filed during May, 30 per cent fewer than for April and about 10 per cent below the total for May 1962. Part of the April-to-May decline is associated with the termination of seasonal benefit, as of May 18, since, in the main, regular claims on which exhaustion occurred after May 11 were not considered under the seasonal benefit provisions. Of the 86,000 initial claims filed during May, 34,000 or 40 per cent were transitional claims. During April 57,000 or 45 per cent of the 125,000 initial claims were thus classified.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 387,600 for May, 582,000 for April and 430,300 for May 1962. Benefit payments amounted to \$41.1 million during May, about 30 per cent less than April and 10 per cent lower than May 1962. Part of the April-to-May decline is associated with the termination date of seasonal benefit on May 18.(1)

Claims by province

Variations in the relative importance of seasonal benefit, as between provinces, have their impact on the April-to-May changes in the month-end claimant count. For this reason, month-to-month percentage changes are not provided. Year-over-year data apply to regular claimants only.

(1) However, in order to compensate for unemployment occurring prior to and including the week of May 12-18, seasonal benefit payments would have been made, as usual, during the week of May 19-25 and residual payments will continue to be made until all cases are cleared.

Percentage changes in month-end count of regular claimants

	May 31, 1962 to May 31, 1963			May 31, 1961 to May 31, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 3	+ 3	+ 3	- 23	- 25	- 16
Nfld.	- 14	- 13	- 18	- 1	- 2	+ 6
P.E.I.	+ 20	+ 22	+ 16	- 22	- 28	- 6
N.S.	- 3	- 6	+ 9	- 6	- 6	- 8
N.B.	+ 9	+ 10	+ 9	- 17	- 20	- 4
Que.	+ 7	+ 8	+ 5	- 24	- 26	- 21
Ont.	+ 2	+ 2	+ 1	- 30	- 36	- 19
Man.	+ 2	-	+ 6	- 8	- 9	- 6
Sask.	- 8	- 8	- 8	- 13	- 17	- 4
Alta.	+ 8	+ 7	+ 9	- 15	- 17	- 10
B.C.	- 2	- 4	+ 1	- 20	- 24	- 10

The April-to-May declines in claims were significant for all provinces. In comparison with one year ago, the current volume is lower in all provinces except Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick where small increases occurred.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	April to May 1963			May 1962 to May 1963			April to May 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 30	- 31	- 26	- 11	- 8	- 18	- 24	- 24	- 23
Nfld.	- 37	- 36	- 44	- 15	- 14	- 23	- 21	- 16	- 39
P.E.I.	- 55	- 54	- 61	+ 8	+ 17	- 20	- 57	- 55	- 61
N.S.	- 47	- 43	- 55	- 45	- 16	- 76	- 19	- 35	+ 10
N.B.	- 45	- 37	- 64	+ 1	+ 7	- 19	- 43	- 39	- 52
Que.	- 26	- 30	- 16	- 5	- 5	- 5	- 21	- 22	- 20
Ont.	- 22	- 26	- 13	- 9	- 9	- 10	- 19	- 18	- 22
Man.	- 34	- 34	- 35	- 16	- 11	- 29	- 31	- 29	- 36
Sask.	- 49	- 51	- 42	- 14	- 9	- 30	- 49	- 46	- 56
Alta.	- 45	- 45	- 46	- 10	- 10	- 11	- 38	- 39	- 38
B.C.	- 28	- 24	- 35	- 17	- 12	- 25	- 15	- 12	- 19

.. Not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	May 1963	Apr. 1963	May 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Apr. 1963	May 1962	January to May		12 months ending May	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,146	3,889	..	..	..	4,083*	..	4,015*
Initial and renewal claims filed	123	176	138	- 30	- 11	1,002	1,071	2,123	2,322
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	271	566	264	**	+ 3	589*	587*	415*	431*
Regular	271	379	264	- 28	+ 3				
S.B.	**	187	**	**	**				
S.B. Fishing (incl. in S.B.)	**	15	**	**	**				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	388	582	430	- 33	- 10	538*	555*	332*	357*
Weeks compensated	1,706	2,328	1,893	- 27	- 10	11,240	11,532	16,636	17,771
Benefit paid	\$ 41,147	57,583	45,409	- 29	- 9	277,318	281,671	404,855	428,561

Average weekly
benefit \$ 24.12 24.73 23.99 - 2 + 1 24.67 24.43 24.34 24.12

* Monthly average.

** Seasonal benefit is not payable in respect of unemployment occurring after the Saturday following May 15, hence, totals are not comparable.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - April	4,146,000	3,580,100	565,900(1)
March	4,223,000	3,537,700	685,300(1)
February	4,246,000	3,525,500	720,500(1)
January	4,241,000	3,537,900	703,100(1)
1962 - December	4,212,000	3,620,000	592,000(1)
November	4,094,000	3,719,800	374,200(1)
October	3,991,000	3,746,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900
April	4,064,000	3,499,500	564,500

(1) By virtue of seasonal benefit class B, the claimant count during the seasonal benefit period may include a number of persons who were not represented in the insured population since last May. This explains, in part, unequal variations in the month-to-month movement of the employed and claimants. An additional factor stems from the fact that the number of claimants is ascertained by actual count, in local offices across Canada, whereas the employed figure is an estimate.

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Prov.	1963 - May - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	122,911	85,696	37,215	138,439	92,945	45,494
Nfld.	3,650	3,152	498	4,317	3,670	647
P.E.I.	530	444	86	489	381	108
N.S.	4,735	3,706	1,029	8,633	4,421	4,212
N.B.	5,643	4,522	1,121	5,599	4,207	1,392
Que.	40,288	27,725	12,563	42,381	29,105	13,276
Ont.	40,572	26,550	14,022	44,689	29,091	15,598
Man.	4,793	3,644	1,149	5,685	4,076	1,609
Sask.	2,428	1,944	484	2,836	2,146	690
Alta.	6,539	4,629	1,910	7,287	5,147	2,140
B.C.	13,733	9,380	4,353	16,523	10,701	5,822

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 41,359

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Province and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Percent- age Postal	May 31, 1962 Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)		
	May 31, 1963						
CANADA -	270,892	86,651	84,780	70,748	28,713	36.1	263,862
MALE	185,998	59,520	61,463	47,477	17,538	39.8	181,219
FEMALE	84,894	27,131	23,317	23,271	11,175	27.8	82,643
Nfld.	8,518	1,746	2,954	3,072	746	71.5	9,885
Male	7,611	1,524	2,727	2,755	605	72.4	8,781
Female	907	222	227	317	141	63.7	1,104
P.E.I.	1,101	303	308	391	99	61.6	919
Male	740	211	197	262	70	69.2	607
Female	361	92	111	129	29	46.0	312
N.S.	14,277	3,468	4,669	4,467	1,673	46.7	14,736
Male	11,157	2,820	3,789	3,479	1,069	47.1	11,874
Female	3,120	648	880	988	604	45.2	2,862
N.B.	13,558	3,502	4,750	4,091	1,215	59.3	12,386
Male	10,640	2,816	4,168	2,952	704	61.4	9,711
Female	2,918	686	582	1,139	511	51.7	2,675
Que.	86,284	28,425	27,915	21,330	8,614	33.8	80,528
Male	62,054	19,714	21,139	15,849	5,352	37.4	57,346
Female	24,230	8,711	6,776	5,481	3,262	24.5	23,182
Ont.	81,248	28,879	23,321	19,665	9,383	25.5	79,848
Male	50,045	18,248	14,716	11,467	5,614	26.4	48,923
Female	31,203	10,631	8,605	8,198	3,769	24.1	30,925
Man.	12,820	3,852	4,014	3,800	1,154	34.7	12,570
Male	8,546	2,635	2,777	2,404	730	40.7	8,522
Female	4,274	1,217	1,237	1,396	424	22.5	4,048
Sask.	6,138	1,561	1,741	1,974	862	47.2	6,669
Male	3,835	953	1,185	1,184	513	54.1	4,179
Female	2,303	608	556	790	349	35.8	2,490
Alta.	17,231	4,687	6,188	4,962	1,394	61.7	15,966
Male	12,037	3,329	4,626	3,299	783	66.2	11,199
Female	5,194	1,358	1,562	1,663	611	51.1	4,767
B.C.	29,717	10,228	8,920	6,996	3,573	28.1	30,355
Male	19,333	7,270	6,139	3,826	2,098	32.5	20,077
Female	10,384	2,958	2,781	3,170	1,475	19.9	10,278

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Province	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>May - 1963</u>							
Canada -	137,289	71,687	35,158	25,187	5,257	22,099	9,490
Nfld.	4,865	3,396	553	793	123	784	127
P.E.I.	780	539	107	116	18	62	20
N.S.	5,576	3,491	1,063	841	181	715	194
N.B.	6,873	4,395	1,332	987	159	798	237
Que.	43,794	23,282	11,508	7,330	1,674	7,929	3,453
Ont.	43,226	20,353	12,851	8,126	1,896	7,200	3,440
Man.	5,535	2,885	1,136	1,374	140	777	357
Sask.	3,248	2,101	493	558	96	411	129
Alta.	8,349	4,388	2,077	1,616	268	1,362	511
B.C.	15,043	6,857	4,038	3,446	702	2,061	1,022

<u>May - 1962</u>							
Canada -	153,463	75,727	44,099	28,335	5,302	22,160	9,224
Nfld.	5,038	3,098	647	1,191	102	733	153
P.E.I.	649	426	103	107	13	46	26
N.S.	9,648	4,402	4,121	952	173	857	328
N.B.	6,772	4,324	1,352	936	160	783	301
Que.	46,464	24,182	12,925	7,931	1,426	7,630	2,950
Ont.	48,548	22,212	15,160	9,184	1,992	7,472	3,042
Man.	6,476	3,415	1,592	1,254	215	758	472
Sask.	3,650	2,182	733	629	106	341	137
Alta.	8,277	4,064	2,017	1,892	304	1,207	559
B.C.	17,941	7,422	5,449	4,259	811	2,333	1,256

(1) In addition 42,678 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,604 were special requests not granted and 2,782 were appeals by claimants. There were 9,341 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during May 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1) 1962	12,951 15,057	437 637	75 37	381 425	577 503	3,675 4,282	3,755 4,495	903 628	232 267	894 1,040	2,022 2,743
Claimants disqualified	1963 1962	35,860 38,915	780 971	156 158	1,241 1,403	1,260 1,205	12,490 12,589	12,121 13,462	1,315 1,631	830 1,003	1,946 2,320	3,721 4,173
Not unemployed	1963 1962	791 815	40 15	9 1	43 35	55 41	221 273	198 215	28 34	42 41	60 80	95 80
Not capable of and not available for work	1963 1962	11,792 14,412	153 164	32 48	324 439	331 327	3,598 4,424	4,441 5,420	618 801	338 438	761 896	1,196 1,455
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963 1962	138 944	-- -	- -	- 2	- -	99 547	30 378	- 6	- 1	- 6	9 4
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963 1962	2,833 2,593	41 19	45 25	86 118	87 96	964 911	1,116 956	104 76	92 63	109 160	189 169
Discharged for misconduct	1963 1962	1,554 1,372	38 32	3 7	60 49	49 46	573 486	517 492	58 39	22 17	85 68	149 136
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963 1962	7,836 8,243	153 154	28 36	292 239	225 242	2,327 2,358	2,702 2,744	300 384	190 243	507 613	1,112 1,230
Other reasons	1963 1962	10,916 10,536	355 587	39 41	436 521	513 453	4,708 3,590	3,117 3,257	207 291	146 200	424 497	971 1,099
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during May												
	1963	2,081	115	14	94	188	577	554	82	33	119	305

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - May - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	387.6	430.3
Newfoundland	21.0	29.1
Prince Edward Island	3.2	4.1
Nova Scotia	23.3	26.3
New Brunswick	25.1	26.5
Quebec	124.4	127.7
Ontario	101.9	118.2
Manitoba	19.3	21.6
Saskatchewan	11.1	13.6
Alberta	22.1	22.8
British Columbia	36.3	40.5

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - May - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	1,705,628	41,146,612	1,893,197	45,409,414
Nfld.	92,198	2,267,884	127,897	3,071,856
P.E.I.	14,226	308,389	17,885	376,880
N.S.	102,673	2,288,579	115,516	2,585,089
N.B.	110,382	2,528,299	116,721	2,639,396
Que.	547,370	13,455,837	561,843	13,629,311
Ont.	448,214	10,647,621	519,967	12,375,878
Man.	84,729	2,016,537	95,040	2,326,745
Sask.	48,967	1,153,007	60,002	1,446,127
Alta.	97,117	2,499,771	100,224	2,578,348
B.C.	159,752	3,980,688	178,102	4,379,784

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

May - 1963

Canada -	1,563,475	142,153	107,403
Newfoundland	85,031	7,167	5,946
Prince Edward Island	13,125	1,101	839
Nova Scotia	90,839	11,834	9,772
New Brunswick	100,391	9,991	7,459
Quebec	506,212	41,158	29,015
Ontario	411,050	37,164	28,432
Manitoba	77,446	7,283	5,770
Saskatchewan	44,657	4,310	3,272
Alberta	88,641	8,476	6,421
British Columbia	146,083	13,669	10,477

May - 1962

Canada -	1,742,194	151,003	115,697
Newfoundland	119,854	8,043	5,516
Prince Edward Island	16,541	1,344	1,044
Nova Scotia	102,697	12,819	10,661
New Brunswick	106,165	10,556	7,775
Quebec	520,256	41,587	30,422
Ontario	476,556	43,411	33,255
Manitoba	87,139	7,901	6,152
Saskatchewan	55,232	4,770	3,790
Alberta	92,113	8,111	6,132
British Columbia	165,641	12,461	10,950

Seasonal Benefit

Between 40 and 45 per cent of initial claims processed from the end of November 1962 to June 1, 1963, were considered under the seasonal benefit provisions, in comparison with slightly over 45 per cent one year earlier.

The number of claims established under these provisions was almost 30,000 fewer, approximately 363,000 for the December 1962-May 1963 period, as against 391,000 the year previous. The year-to-year decline occurred amongst persons qualifying for non-fishing seasonal benefit, the number eligible for fishing seasonal benefit having increased slightly.

Less than one-quarter of the non-fishing seasonal benefit claims were established during December but for fishing seasonal benefit the proportion was over 50 per cent. Very few fishing seasonal benefit claims, but over 50 per cent of non-fishing seasonal benefit claims, were set up after January. This illustrates the basic distinction in the operation of the regulations governing fishing claimants and others. In the first place, the majority of fishermen are eligible only for seasonal benefit. Hence in the main, they qualify under Class A and there is no transition from regular to seasonal benefit during the winter months, as is the case for other claimants. Generally a fisherman may continue to fish during the seasonal benefit period and still draw benefit. However, he will not draw benefit for any week in which his excess earnings equal his benefit rate. Non-fishing claimants may not draw benefit for any week during which they work the full working week, regardless of the amount of earnings.

On the average, 168,000 seasonal benefit claimants were reported on claim at the end of each of the 5 months December to April. The peak claimant total for fishermen was the end of February, after which exhaustion of benefit resulted in a decline. In the case of non-fishing claimants, however, exhaustions of seasonal benefit were offset by additional seasonal benefit cases. The peak for these cases was the end of March.

During the season just terminating it is estimated that some \$86 million were paid under the seasonal benefit provisions. This is a preliminary estimate. In the 1961-62 period, the amount was \$88.9 million.

Table I - (S.B.) Initial Claims Considered under the Seasonal Benefit Provisions as a Percentage of Initial Claims Processed, 1962-63 and 1961-62 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period and Month	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
	per cent										
<u>1962-63 Period</u>											
December	43.6	64.7	66.5	51.9	58.1	42.3	36.9	42.8	44.0	38.0	45.6
January	53.1	78.1	74.7	64.9	67.3	49.1	46.5	46.5	45.4	42.9	60.6
February	37.6	59.5	57.2	51.4	54.6	35.4	30.6	33.5	32.7	33.7	39.0
March	38.4	47.6	51.0	43.2	52.7	39.5	33.0	38.1	37.1	35.0	41.2
April	44.4	58.7	68.8	46.6	59.9	43.8	37.4	53.3	54.1	42.4	45.9
May	47.8	65.6	78.3	48.3	58.1	47.8	43.0	55.4	60.9	41.9	42.1
	38.4	67.4	67.9	46.1	49.1	41.6	31.6	29.1	51.1	30.3	31.0
<u>1961-62 Period</u>											
December	47.4	65.3	66.0	51.4	59.3	46.8	41.9	46.5	48.5	41.4	50.4
January	57.8	78.0	71.6	63.2	66.5	53.9	52.5	51.0	51.9	49.4	67.4
February	41.5	60.3	57.7	55.1	56.9	40.8	35.4	35.5	37.6	37.4	42.0
March	42.1	49.8	51.4	43.2	55.0	44.1	36.8	41.7	44.0	38.3	45.2
April	46.9	56.9	68.1	46.5	57.9	47.5	41.6	53.5	56.6	42.4	48.1
May	50.0	66.8	77.4	42.7	58.8	50.7	47.1	57.2	59.2	43.5	45.1
	40.9	61.8	68.3	38.1	52.0	43.8	36.8	44.5	51.6	31.8	32.2

Table II - (S.B.) Number of Claims Established(1) under the Seasonal Benefit Provisions, by Month, 1962-63 and 1961-62 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Total for the period	December(2)	January	February	March	April	May(2)
in thousands							
<u>1962-63 Period</u>							
Total	362.9	95.3	79.7	48.0	53.9	56.2	29.9
Non-fishing	331.4	78.5	68.1	46.1	53.0	55.8	29.9
Fishing	31.5	16.8	11.6	1.8	0.9	0.4	-
<u>1961-62 Period</u>							
Total	390.9	111.6	81.1	50.9	62.5	51.2	33.6
Non-fishing	361.5	94.8	71.4	49.3	61.5	50.9	33.6
Fishing	29.5	16.8	9.8	1.6	1.0	0.3	-

(1) The contribution requirement of 15 weeks since the preceding March 31 was proven or a regular benefit period had terminated since the Saturday following the week in which May 15 occurred.

(2) Includes cases processed during November but excludes residual cases processed after May 31.

Table III - (S.B.) Number of Claims Established under the Seasonal Benefit Provisions, by Province, 1962-63 and 1961-62 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
in thousands											
<u>1962-63 Period</u>											
Total	362.9	28.2	6.0	24.3	27.6	108.6	86.4	17.1	12.7	16.8	35.3
Non-fishing	331.4	17.0	3.9	18.0	23.3	107.2	85.6	16.5	12.7	16.8	30.4
Fishing	31.5	11.2	2.1	6.3	4.2	1.3	0.8	0.6	-	-	4.9
<u>1961-62 Period</u>											
Total	390.9	26.7	5.6	24.5	27.8	114.9	100.7	18.8	14.1	18.4	39.4
Non-fishing	361.5	16.5	3.8	18.5	23.9	113.8	99.9	18.2	14.1	18.4	34.5
Fishing	29.5	10.2	1.9	5.9	3.9	1.2	0.8	0.6	-	-	5.0

Table IV - (S.B.) Seasonal Benefit Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, 1962-63 and 1961-62 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Average for the period	December	January	February	March	April
in thousands						
<u>1962-63 Period</u>						
Total - Claimants	168.4	95.3	159.3	196.3	203.9	187.1
Male	136.1	76.4	128.8	158.7	166.1	150.3
Female	32.3	19.0	30.4	37.6	37.8	36.7
Non-fishing	144.9	75.9	131.5	166.4	178.7	172.0
Male	112.7	57.0	101.2	128.9	141.0	135.3
Female	32.2	18.9	30.3	37.5	37.7	36.7
Fishing	23.5	19.4	27.7	29.9	25.2	15.1
Male	23.4	19.3	27.6	29.8	25.1	15.0
Female	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
<u>1961-62 Period</u>						
Total - Claimants	180.2	108.5	174.2	207.3	220.1	191.2
Male	144.7	87.0	139.7	165.6	178.0	153.3
Female	35.5	21.5	34.5	41.7	42.1	37.9
Non-fishing	158.7	91.4	148.0	179.7	196.6	177.9
Male	123.3	70.0	113.6	138.1	154.6	140.0
Female	35.4	21.4	34.4	41.5	42.0	37.9
Fishing	21.5	17.1	26.2	27.6	23.5	13.3
Male	21.4	17.0	26.1	27.5	23.4	13.3
Female	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	-

Table V - (S.B.) Seasonal Benefit Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month,
by Province, 1962-63 and 1961-62 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
in thousands											
<u>1962-63 Period</u>											
Average for the Period	168.4	16.7	3.4	12.9	14.1	49.0	36.2	7.7	5.2	6.8	16.5
December 31, 1962	95.3	12.0	2.2	6.7	8.0	25.1	19.9	4.5	2.5	3.0	11.4
January 31, 1963	159.3	16.6	3.8	13.3	13.6	45.3	32.7	6.7	4.3	6.2	16.7
February 28, 1963	196.3	20.4	4.3	15.4	16.2	56.5	41.5	8.7	6.0	7.9	19.4
March 29, 1963	203.9	18.7	3.9	15.6	17.1	60.4	45.4	8.9	6.9	8.0	19.1
April 30, 1963	187.1	15.5	2.7	13.4	15.4	57.9	41.7	9.6	6.1	8.9	15.8
<u>1961-62 Period</u>											
Average for the Period	180.2	15.6	3.4	13.0	14.3	51.8	42.6	8.2	6.0	7.0	18.2
December 29, 1961	108.5	10.8	2.4	7.2	8.7	28.8	24.5	4.7	3.2	3.7	14.5
January 31, 1962	174.2	17.0	3.7	13.6	13.8	47.2	40.3	7.4	5.3	6.6	19.2
February 28, 1962	207.3	19.1	4.1	15.3	16.9	58.8	49.2	9.1	7.0	7.6	20.2
March 30, 1962	220.1	18.3	3.8	15.9	17.3	64.7	52.6	9.8	7.9	9.1	20.4
April 30, 1962	191.2	13.5	2.7	13.1	14.7	59.5	46.3	10.0	6.8	8.2	16.6

Table VI - (S.B.) Seasonal Benefit Claimants as a Percentage of Total Claimants, by Province 1962-63 and 1961-62 Periods.

Seasonal Benefit Period	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.

Table VII - (S.B.) Seasonal Benefit Claimants, Non-fishing and Fishing, Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Province, 1962-63 Period.

Type of Seasonal Benefit Claimant and Month	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
	in thousands										
1962-63 period (average):											
Non-fishing	144.9	7.1	1.9	8.5	11.0	48.0	35.8	7.5	5.2	6.8	13.3
Fishing	23.5	9.6	1.5	4.4	3.1	1.1	0.5	0.2	-	-	3.2
December:											
Non-fishing	75.9	2.7	1.0	4.6	5.6	24.4	19.6	4.5	2.5	3.0	8.1
Fishing	19.4	9.3	1.2	2.1	2.5	0.8	0.3	-	-	-	3.2
January:											
Non-fishing	131.5	6.1	1.8	7.9	9.7	44.0	32.1	6.6	4.3	6.2	12.8
Fishing	27.7	10.5	2.0	5.5	3.9	1.3	0.6	0.1	-	-	3.9
February:											
Non-fishing	166.4	8.5	2.2	9.6	12.3	55.1	40.8	8.6	6.0	7.9	15.4
Fishing	29.9	11.9	2.1	5.8	3.9	1.3	0.7	0.1	-	-	4.0
March:											
Non-fishing	178.7	9.2	2.3	10.2	13.6	59.2	44.8	8.6	6.9	8.0	15.9
Fishing	25.2	9.5	1.6	5.4	3.4	1.2	0.6	0.3	-	-	3.2
April:											
Non-fishing	172.0	8.9	2.1	10.1	13.7	57.2	41.5	9.3	6.1	8.9	14.2
Fishing	15.1	6.6	0.7	3.3	1.7	0.7	0.2	0.3	-	-	1.5

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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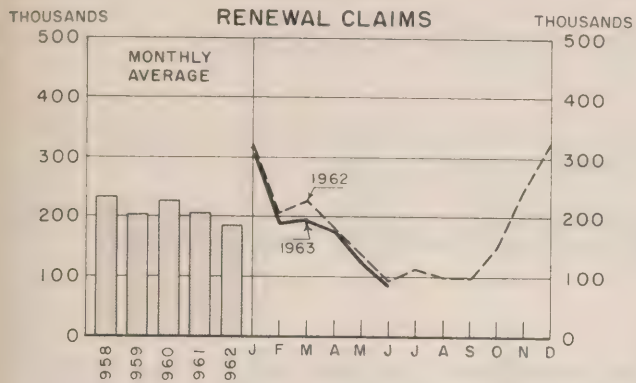
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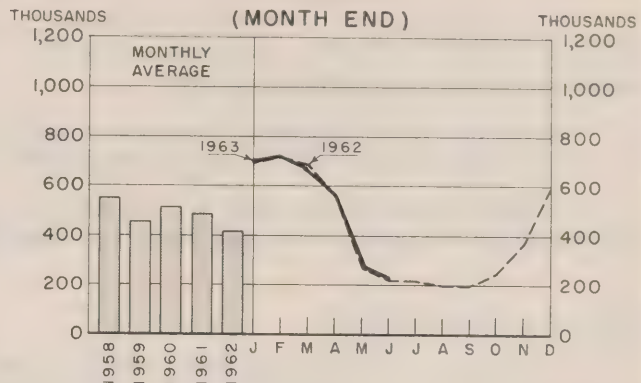
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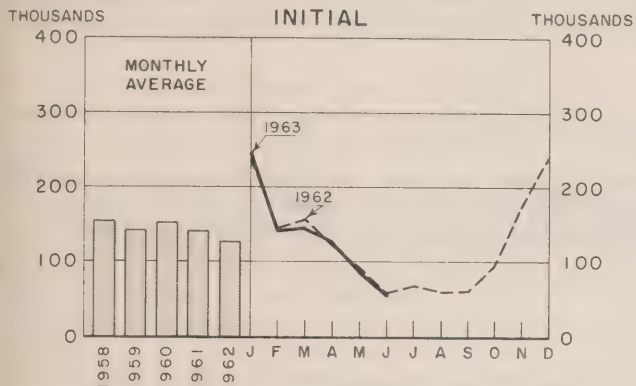
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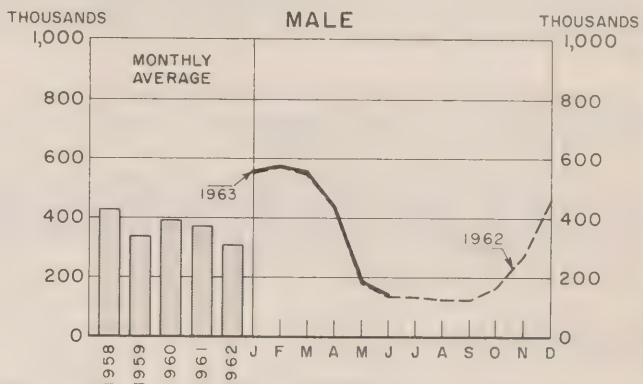
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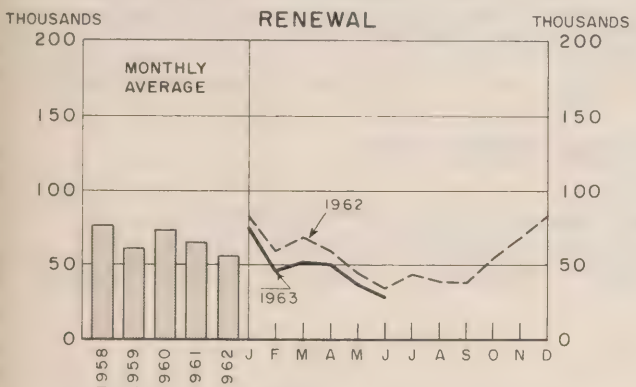
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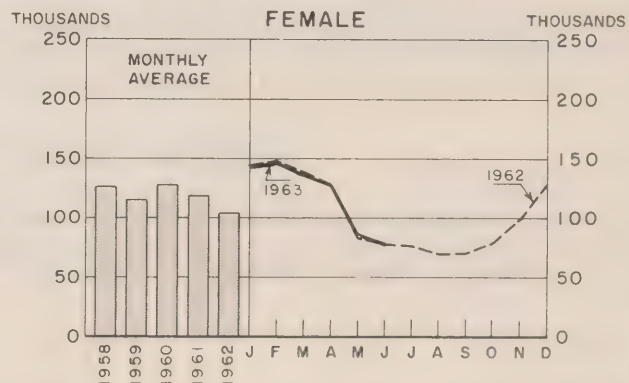
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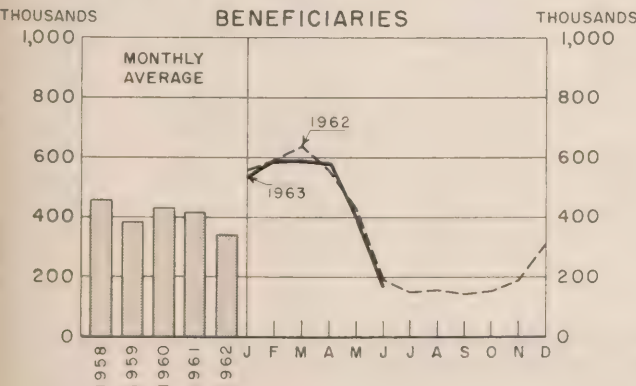
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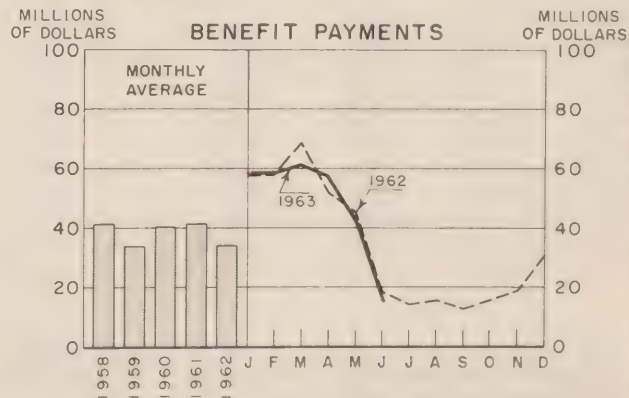
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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

JUNE 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on June 28 numbered 220,300, almost 20 per cent fewer than on May 31 but slightly above the 214,300 recorded on June 29, 1962.

Between 35 and 40 per cent of the current claimants had come on claim during June. For males, this proportion was close to 40 per cent, in comparison with less than 35 per cent for females.

Initial and renewal claims

A total of 82,800 initial and renewal claims for unemployment insurance benefit were filed during June. This is 33 per cent lower than May and about 10 per cent below the total for June 1962. Some 75,600 or more than 90 per cent of the 82,800 cases were separations from employment during the month.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 168,800 for June, 387,600 for May and 190,000 for June 1962. Benefit payments amounted to \$16.0 million during June in comparison with \$41.1 million in May and \$18.7 million in June 1962. The average weekly payment was \$23.68 for June, \$24.12 for May, and \$23.45 for June 1962.

Claims by province

All provinces participated in the May-to-June decline in the claimant count, the smallest relative decline occurring in Ontario, the largest in Alberta. The percentage decrease in the number of female claimants was significantly smaller than that for males.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	May 31 to June 28, 1963			June 29, 1962 to June 28, 1963			May 31 to June 29, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 19	- 24	- 8	+ 3	+ 4	-	- 19	- 25	- 6
Nfld.	- 27	- 30	+ 1	- 7	- 6	- 12	- 32	- 36	- 5
P.E.I.	- 27	- 34	- 13	+ 7	+ 5	+ 11	- 18	- 23	- 9
N.S.	- 21	- 23	- 13	+ 11	+ 13	+ 5	- 31	- 36	- 9
N.B.	- 31	- 36	- 14	+ 8	+ 10	+ 5	- 31	- 36	- 11
Que.	- 19	- 24	- 7	+ 5	+ 8	-	- 18	- 24	- 3
Ont.	- 13	- 18	- 4	-	-	- 1	- 11	- 16	- 2
Man.	- 16	- 18	- 11	+ 9	+ 14	+ 2	- 21	- 28	- 8
Sask.	- 26	- 36	- 10	- 9	- 14	- 3	- 25	- 32	- 14
Alta.	- 30	- 32	- 24	+ 1	+ 3	- 3	- 25	- 29	- 15
B.C.	- 18	- 22	- 9	+ 2	- 1	+ 7	- 21	- 24	- 14

The volume of claims filed during June was substantially below May in all provinces. In comparison with one year ago, the current intake was lower in all provinces except Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island where increases occurred.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	May to June 1963			June 1962 to June 1963			May to June 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 33	- 37	- 22	- 11	- 9	- 15	- 32	- 36	- 25
Nfld.	- 45	- 53	+ 6	+ 18	+ 13	+ 36	- 61	- 64	- 40
P.E.I.	- 43	- 55	+ 23	+ 32	+ 32	+ 31	- 53	- 61	- 25
N.S.	- 25	- 28	- 15	- 10	+ 15	- 45	- 55	- 48	- 62
N.B.	- 54	- 61	- 25	- 10	- 6	- 18	- 48	- 56	- 27
Que.	- 33	- 38	- 22	- 8	- 9	- 5	- 30	- 34	- 21
Ont.	- 27	- 29	- 21	- 14	- 12	- 17	- 23	- 27	- 15
Man.	- 41	- 45	- 29	- 21	- 15	- 32	- 38	- 42	- 26
Sask.	- 47	- 53	- 24	- 20	- 16	- 30	- 43	- 49	- 24
Alta.	- 40	- 43	- 32	- 13	- 11	- 16	- 38	- 43	- 28
B.C.	- 31	- 36	- 20	- 15	- 13	- 17	- 33	- 36	- 28

It will be noted that, in general, the decline is significantly larger for initial than for renewal claims. During May a considerable proportion of the initial claims (39 per cent) were identified as continuing initials.(1) For June, this proportion was less than 15 per cent.

In the following table, the first two columns illustrate the decline in continuing(2) initials, by province. The next two columns show the relative volume of seasonal benefit claims processed in May and June(3). The last column shows the percentage change in initials, May to June, after continuing initials have been excluded. When this column is compared with data for initial claims shown above, significant differences are evident. The most obvious variation occurs in Newfoundland and Nova Scotia where the number of new initials actually increased. In total, however, initials declined by 53 per cent in Newfoundland and by 28 per cent in Nova Scotia. The impact of continuing initials is relatively less during the months when seasonal benefit is not operative.

- (1) The sharp drop between May and June is due to the termination of seasonal benefit in May.
 (2) These are claims on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits.
 (3) These are residual cases, the claims having originated prior to May 19.

	Percentage identified as continuing initials		Initial claims considered for seasonal benefit as a per cent of initial claims processed		Percentage change in new initial claims (excluding continuing initials)
	May	June	May	June	From May to June
	per cent		per cent		per cent
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Canada	39	14	38	2	- 11
Nfld.	72	22	67	19	+ 29
P.E.I.	58	13	68	8	- 6
N.S.	55	24	46	3	+ 22
N.B.	59	23	49	6	- 26
Que.	41	14	42	2	- 10
Ont.	29	10	32	1	- 11
Man.	44	14	29	2	- 17
Sask.	48	10	51	3	- 18
Alta.	31	11	30	4	- 26
B.C.	37	14	31	1	- 13

.. Not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	June 1963	May 1963	June 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				May 1963	June 1962	January to June		12 months ending June	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	3,963	3,954	..	..	..	4,062*	..	4,020*
Initial and renewal claims filed	83	123	93	- 33	- 11	1,085	1,165	2,112	2,303
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	220	271	214	- 19	+ 3	528*	525*	415*	426*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	169	388	190	- 56	- 11	476*	494*	331*	352*
Weeks compensated	675	1,706	798	- 60	- 15	11,916	12,330	16,514	17,471
Benefit paid	\$ 15,987	41,147	18,709	- 61	- 15	293,305	300,380	402,133	421,379

Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.68	24.12	23.45	- 2	+ 1	24.61	24.36	24.35	24.12
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - May	3,963,000	3,692,100	270,900
April	4,149,000	3,583,100	565,900
March	4,223,000	3,537,700	685,300
February	4,246,000	3,525,500	720,500
January	4,241,000	3,537,900	703,100
1962 - December	4,212,000	3,620,000	592,000
November	4,094,000	3,719,800	374,200
October	3,991,000	3,746,900	244,100
September	3,977,000	3,779,200	197,800
August	3,995,000	3,796,300	198,700
July	3,976,000	3,764,000	212,000
June	3,954,000	3,739,700	214,300
May	3,889,000	3,625,100	263,900

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Prov.	1963 - June - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	82,802	53,618	29,184	93,484	59,216	34,268
Nfld.	2,008	1,480	528	1,701	1,314	387
P.E.I.	304	198	106	231	150	81
N.S.	3,544	2,666	878	3,927	2,319	1,608
N.B.	2,607	1,764	843	2,895	1,872	1,023
Que.	27,136	17,283	9,853	29,495	19,070	10,425
Ont.	29,729	18,721	11,008	34,497	21,228	13,269
Man.	2,804	1,993	811	3,544	2,347	1,197
Sask.	1,290	923	367	1,618	1,096	522
Alta.	3,925	2,631	1,294	4,489	2,952	1,537
B.C.	9,455	5,959	3,496	11,087	6,868	4,219

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 31,169.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Province and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Percent- age Postal	June 29, 1962 total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)		
	June 28, 1963						
CANADA -	220,260	82,426	62,749	47,631	27,454	31.6	214,311
MALE	142,117	55,592	40,781	28,980	16,764	33.5	136,524
FEMALE	78,143	26,834	21,968	18,651	10,690	28.1	77,787
Nfld.	6,235	1,737	1,630	2,058	810	68.1	6,678
Male	5,319	1,460	1,412	1,752	695	70.8	5,633
Female	916	277	218	306	115	52.6	1,045
P.E.I.	805	297	221	173	114	60.1	749
Male	491	163	159	111	58	66.2	466
Female	314	134	62	62	56	50.6	283
N.S.	11,307	3,702	3,463	2,538	1,604	37.9	10,181
Male	8,578	2,941	2,751	1,789	1,097	36.8	7,582
Female	2,729	761	712	749	507	41.4	2,599
N.B.	9,295	2,453	3,651	2,000	1,191	49.6	8,568
Male	6,786	1,807	3,032	1,275	672	50.5	6,185
Female	2,509	646	619	725	519	47.0	2,383
Que.	69,712	27,128	20,479	14,109	7,996	29.2	66,079
Male	47,239	18,925	13,721	9,647	4,946	30.9	43,579
Female	22,473	8,203	6,758	4,462	3,050	25.6	22,500
Ont.	71,046	28,677	19,244	13,647	9,478	23.7	71,161
Male	41,055	17,761	10,673	7,216	5,405	23.5	40,914
Female	29,991	10,916	8,571	6,431	4,073	23.9	30,247
Man.	10,803	4,045	2,876	3,262	620	28.7	9,890
Male	7,002	2,813	1,862	1,996	331	24.7	6,168
Female	3,801	1,232	1,014	1,266	289	36.1	3,722
Sask.	4,535	1,290	1,209	1,243	793	43.1	5,010
Male	2,457	636	734	574	513	48.0	2,861
Female	2,078	654	475	669	280	37.3	2,149
Alta.	12,089	3,651	3,626	3,504	1,308	63.1	11,983
Male	8,162	2,611	2,497	2,240	814	67.7	7,928
Female	3,927	1,040	1,129	1,264	494	53.6	4,055
B.C.	24,433	9,446	6,350	5,097	3,540	25.0	24,012
Male	15,028	6,475	3,940	2,380	2,233	28.1	15,208
Female	9,405	2,971	2,410	2,717	1,307	19.9	8,804

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Province	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>June - 1963</u>							
Canada -	84,302	31,800	24,801	23,409	4,292	20,508	9,581
Nfld.	1,959	670	250	822	217	772	188
P.E.I.	273	109	83	72	9	79	34
N.S.	3,028	1,371	686	852	119	1,158	267
N.B.	2,875	1,225	756	791	103	546	221
Que.	28,015	10,664	8,650	7,370	1,331	7,178	3,325
Ont.	29,850	10,976	9,182	8,066	1,626	6,879	3,640
Man.	2,948	1,193	773	856	126	721	269
Sask.	1,353	553	304	434	62	347	130
Alta.	4,016	1,623	1,071	1,185	137	1,185	597
B.C.	9,985	3,416	3,046	2,961	562	1,643	910

<u>June - 1962</u>							
Canada -	97,652	35,299	30,482	27,513	4,358	18,564	8,652
Nfld.	2,024	716	346	896	66	435	128
P.E.I.	249	90	83	63	13	43	11
N.S.	4,145	1,558	1,466	960	161	658	309
N.B.	3,073	1,157	872	928	116	570	336
Que.	29,905	11,201	9,197	8,300	1,207	7,199	2,971
Ont.	35,496	12,741	11,553	9,484	1,718	6,475	3,040
Man.	3,934	1,452	1,115	1,215	152	438	402
Sask.	1,671	613	434	530	94	294	131
Alta.	4,915	1,788	1,505	1,421	201	950	390
B.C.	12,240	3,983	3,911	3,716	630	1,502	934

(1) In addition 32,212 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 2,821 were special requests not granted and 2,136 were appeals by claimants. There were 8,298 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during June 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1) 1962	13,699 16,650	513 586	31 36	499 582	516 630	4,600 5,193	4,380 5,200	483 729	225 297	664 881	1,788 2,516
Claimants disqualified	1963 1962	27,841 29,693	765 629	99 90	996 986	842 835	9,036 9,594	9,924 11,046	1,125 1,202	576 604	1,349 1,539	3,129 3,168
Not unemployed	1963 1962	720 648	204 41	8 5	68 52	48 40	132 159	145 170	19 29	22 28	19 38	55 86
Not capable of and not available for work	1963 1962	9,231 10,551	115 125	21 30	298 272	217 226	2,625 3,231	3,496 4,188	586 548	262 254	565 573	1,046 1,104
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963 1962	164 1,034	2 -	- -	- 11	- -	97 441	48 537	1 20	3 23	- -	13 2
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963 1962	1,775 2,061	4 9	13 7	69 102	65 68	625 741	693 776	64 69	52 32	69 126	121 131
Discharged for misconduct	1963 1962	1,248 1,243	32 30	2 5	38 57	53 37	421 384	457 493	47 25	20 15	61 55	117 142
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963 1962	6,362 6,820	145 122	24 13	186 203	136 185	1,830 2,132	2,388 2,363	248 311	108 152	371 387	926 952
Other reasons	1963 1962	8,341 7,336	263 302	31 30	337 289	323 279	3,306 2,506	2,697 2,519	160 200	109 100	264 360	851 751

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during June 1963

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Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - June - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	168.8	190.0
Newfoundland	5.1	10.7
Prince Edward Island	0.7	1.1
Nova Scotia	8.8	12.4
New Brunswick	7.7	11.3
Quebec	54.3	53.3
Ontario	53.4	56.5
Manitoba	7.7	9.6
Saskatchewan	3.9	4.9
Alberta	9.5	9.8
British Columbia	17.7	20.5

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - June - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	675,263	15,986,894	797,975	18,709,179
Nfld.	20,527	472,494	44,817	1,084,072
P.E.I.	2,772	55,286	4,742	96,095
N.S.	35,135	775,591	52,097	1,141,473
N.B.	30,902	699,580	47,385	1,054,061
Que.	217,013	5,254,471	223,681	5,294,939
Ont.	213,626	5,000,344	237,274	5,493,980
Man.	30,855	718,058	40,282	951,475
Sask.	15,702	357,779	20,488	478,022
Alta.	37,968	939,939	41,300	1,034,074
B.C.	70,763	1,713,352	85,909	2,080,988

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

June - 1963

Canada -	608,971	66,292	49,798
Newfoundland	18,133	2,394	2,086
Prince Edward Island	2,499	273	217
Nova Scotia	30,010	5,125	4,280
New Brunswick	26,957	3,945	3,064
Quebec	197,582	19,431	13,369
Ontario	194,334	19,292	14,274
Manitoba	27,717	3,138	2,509
Saskatchewan	14,145	1,557	1,185
Alberta	34,112	3,856	2,917
British Columbia	63,482	7,281	5,897

June - 1962

Canada -	718,023	79,952	61,525
Newfoundland	40,330	4,487	3,466
Prince Edward Island	4,271	471	380
Nova Scotia	44,847	7,250	6,157
New Brunswick	41,293	6,092	4,806
Quebec	202,337	21,344	15,229
Ontario	214,976	22,298	16,544
Manitoba	36,036	4,246	3,439
Saskatchewan	18,533	1,955	1,540
Alberta	37,213	4,087	3,199
British Columbia	78,187	7,722	6,765

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and **no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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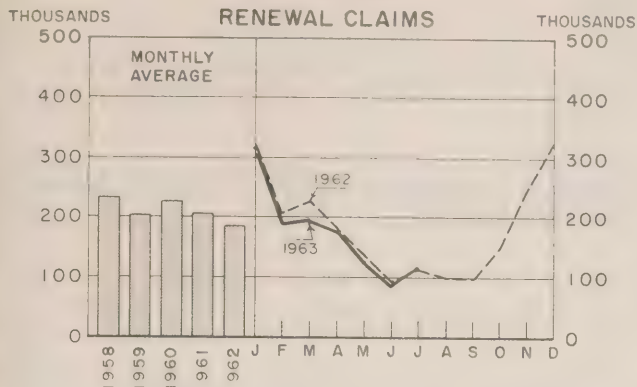
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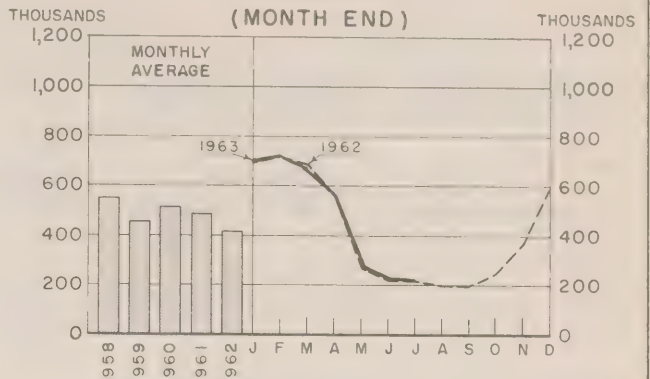
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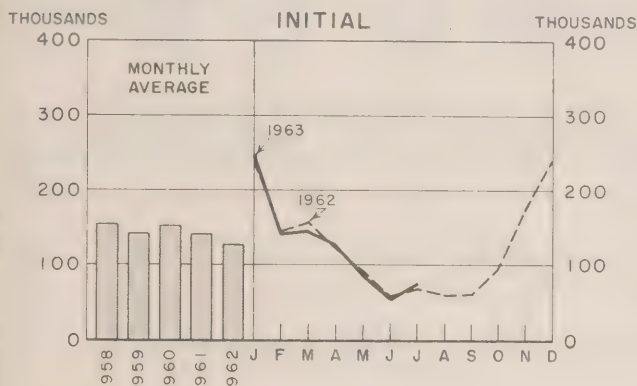
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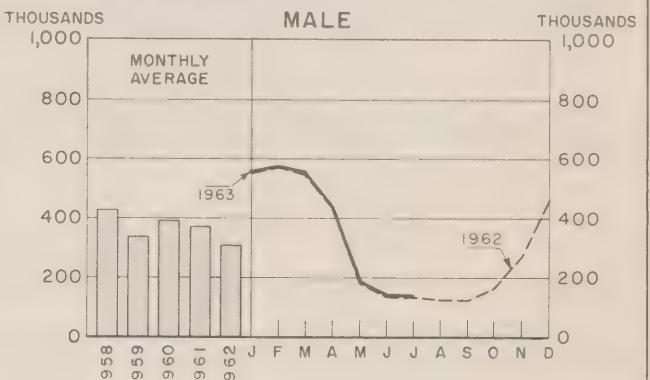
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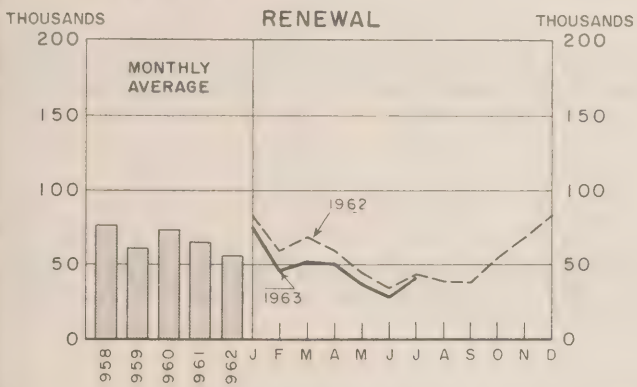
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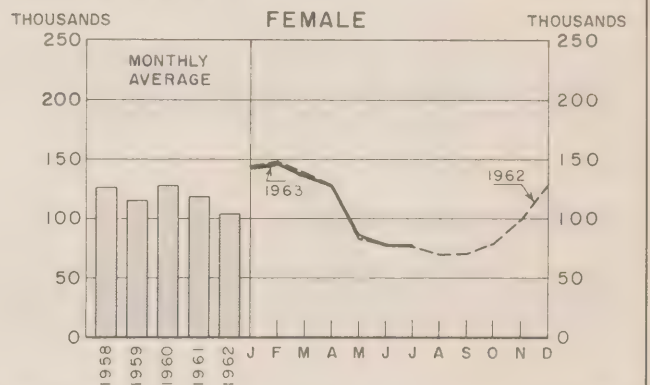
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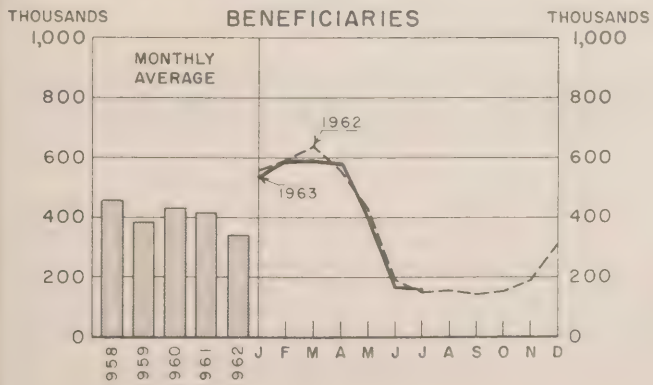
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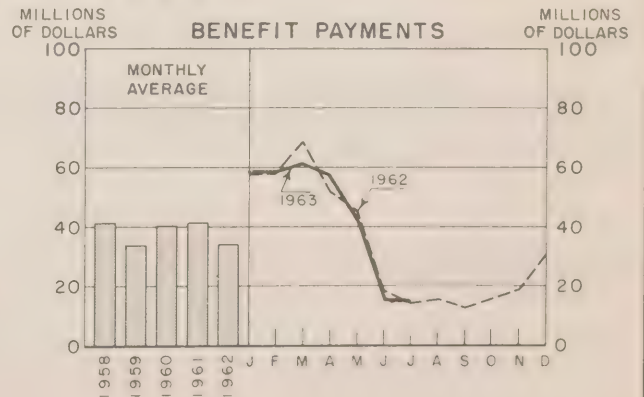
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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

JULY 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on July 31 numbered 219,000, virtually unchanged from both the June 28 total of 220,300 and the July 31, 1962 figure of 212,000.

The per cent distribution by number of weeks on claim is as follows:

Number of weeks on claim	Both sexes			Male			Female		
	July 31 1963	June 28 1963	July 31 1962	July 31 1963	June 28 1963	July 31 1962	July 31 1963	June 28 1963	July 31 1962
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1 - 4	45	37	45	48	39	49	38	34	40
5 - 13	26	29	24	25	29	22	29	28	26
14 - 26	17	22)	31	15	20)	29	19	24)	34
27 or more	12	12)		11	12)		14	14)	

The annual holiday period in conjunction with lay-offs for model changeover in the automobile industry is reflected in the high proportion 1 - 4 weeks on claim on July 31. This proportion was substantially greater for men than for women.

Initial and renewal claims

A total of 112,900 initial and renewal claims were filed during July. This is almost 30,000 higher than for June but is unchanged from July 1962. Close to 95 per cent of the July claims (105,500) were filed by persons separating from employment during the month.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 150,800 for July, in comparison with 168,800 for June and 150,400 for July 1962. Benefit payments amounted to \$15.5 million in July, \$16.0 million in June and \$14.5 million in July 1962. The average weekly payment was \$23.37 for July, \$23.68 for June and \$22.98 for July 1962.

Claims by province

The July 31 claimant count was lower than on June 28 in all provinces except Prince Edward Island (where there was no change) and Ontario which showed a 20 per cent increase. In comparison with last year, small increases occurred in Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	June 28 to July 31 1963			July 31, 1962 to July 31, 1963			June 29 to July 31 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 1	- 1	-	+ 3	+ 5	+ 1	- 1	- 1	- 1
Nfld.	- 19	- 25	+ 10	- 15	- 17	- 2	- 12	- 14	- 1
P.E.I.	-	+ 3	- 4	- 2	- 5	+ 4	+ 9	+ 13	+ 3
N.S.	- 19	- 23	- 8	- 8	- 11	+ 2	- 2	- 2	- 5
N.B.	- 12	- 15	- 7	-	- 3	+ 7	- 5	- 3	- 8
Que.	- 4	- 7	+ 1	+ 6	+ 9	+ 1	- 5	- 7	+ 1
Ont.	+ 21	+ 32	+ 5	+ 7	+ 12	+ 1	+ 12	+ 19	+ 3
Man.	- 31	- 42	- 12	- 13	- 19	- 5	- 14	- 19	- 6
Sask.	- 15	- 22	- 7	- 14	- 14	- 14	- 11	- 22	+ 4
Alta.	- 15	- 22	-	+ 4	+ 4	+ 3	- 17	- 23	- 6
B.C.	- 10	- 12	- 8	+ 2	- 1	+ 8	- 11	- 12	- 9

The July claim intake was up over June in all provinces except Newfoundland and Nova Scotia where declines occurred. Almost three-quarters of the increased volume took place in Ontario and was associated with plant shut-downs as mentioned above.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	June to July 1963			July 1962 to July 1963			June to July 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 36	+ 35	+ 39	-	+ 4	- 5	+ 20	+ 17	+ 25
Nfld.	- 26	- 33	- 5	- 32	- 20	- 47	+ 28	- 6	+ 145
P.E.I.	+ 17	+ 20	+ 11	- 9	- 12	- 3	+ 70	+ 80	+ 51
N.S.	- 9	- 21	+ 28	- 20	- 15	- 28	+ 3	+ 7	- 3
N.B.	+ 31	+ 33	+ 28	- 10	- 2	- 24	+ 32	+ 28	+ 39
Que.	+ 21	+ 16	+ 31	- 1	- 1	-	+ 12	+ 6	+ 24
Ont.	+ 77	+ 83	+ 65	+ 10	+ 14	+ 3	+ 39	+ 42	+ 33
Man.	+ 3	+ 2	+ 6	- 12	- 3	- 28	- 7	- 11	-
Sask.	+ 11	+ 11	+ 10	- 19	- 17	- 23	+ 9	+ 13	+ 1
Alta.	+ 11	+ 7	+ 21	- 5	+ 3	- 16	+ 2	- 8	+ 22
B.C.	+ 8	+ 7	+ 8	- 10	- 2	- 20	+ 1	- 5	+ 12

Industrial Classification of Persons Filing an Initial Claim(1)
for Unemployment Insurance Benefit during June 1963

Some 46,400 persons filed initial claims upon separating from employment during June. This compares with 50,700 for June 1962. The volume of claims was lower than for a year ago in all provinces except Newfoundland and Nova Scotia, where slight increases occurred.

At the national level, there was virtually no variation from a year ago in the industrial composition of the new cases of recorded unemployment. However, this was not so at the provincial level. The most marked variations from one year ago were in Newfoundland and in Nova Scotia where there was a relatively large volume of claims from mine workers. In Newfoundland, the claims arose out of reduced operations in iron mines while in Nova Scotia claims were taken in anticipation of a mass lay-off associated with plant operational difficulties in coal mines.

Table 1 presents provincial totals of new claims by industry of last employment, June 1963 and 1962, while quarterly data showing the industrial composition of claims at the national level are provided in Table 2.

(1) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims.

Table 1. Percentage distribution of claims(1) by Industry and Province
June 1963 and 1962

Industry Group		Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases ('000)	1963	46.4	1.2	(2)	2.0	1.4	14.8	16.9	1.7	0.8	2.4	5.1
	1962	50.7	0.9	(2)	1.9	1.5	16.5	18.2	2.0	1.0	2.7	6.0
Per cent distribution												
Forestry (mainly logging)	1963	2	3	-	1	3	1	1	2	-	1	6
	1962	2	10	-	(3)	7	2	1	1	1	(3)	4
Fishing(4) and trapping	1963	(3)	1	6	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	1962	(3)	5	-	2	(3)	-	-	1	-	-	1
Mining	1963	4	44	2	33	3	1	1	2	3	5	2
	1962	2	2	1	8	3	1	1	3	2	9	2
Manufacturing	1963	35	7	20	19	30	37	46	31	13	17	19
	1962	33	13	22	27	22	38	41	24	14	16	22
Construction	1963	13	13	10	7	11	14	13	11	11	17	15
	1962	11	13	7	8	10	8	10	13	11	14	18
Transp., commun., & other util.	1963	5	4	7	7	10	5	3	6	6	7	9
	1962	9	8	6	13	14	10	8	8	8	6	9
Trade	1963	16	14	31	13	23	14	15	22	36	25	14
	1962	17	18	34	16	20	14	18	20	23	19	14
Service	1963	13	8	14	12	12	12	12	16	21	17	18
	1962	15	12	13	13	12	15	13	15	25	19	18
Public admin. & defence	1963	7	5	7	4	4	10	4	4	5	6	11
	1962	7	17	12	10	7	9	4	10	8	8	9
Other	1963	4	2	2	1	4	5	4	6	5	5	6
	1962	4	2	5	1	5	3	4	5	8	9	3
Total cases	1963	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	1962	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Table 2. Percentage distribution of claims by Industry, quarterly intervals

Industry Group	June 1963	March 1963	December 1962	September 1962	June 1962
Total new cases ('000)	46.4	83.9	212.2	55.5	50.7
Per cent distribution					
Forestry (mainly logging)	2	15	7	3	2
Fishing(4) and trapping	(3)	1	6	(3)	(3)
Mining	4	3	2	2	2
Manufacturing	35	29	28	30	33
Construction	13	16	24	14	11
Transportation, communication and other utilities	5	7	10	8	9
Trade	16	14	9	18	17
Service	13	10	7	15	15
Public admin. and defence	7	3	5	6	7
Other	4	2	3	5	4
All cases	100	100	100	100	100

(1) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims.

(2) Less than 500.

(3) Less than 1/2 of 1 per cent.

(4) In coding cases to the fishing industry persons whose reported occupation under covered employment was "fisherman" were coded to the fishing industry even though the nature of business of the most recent employer was other than fishing. This treatment is slightly different from the general coding practice of assigning a single code on the basis of the principal activity. Since fishermen report themselves usually as self-employed, the number of others is relatively small.

.. Not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	July 1963	June 1963	July 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				June 1963	July 1962	January to July		12 months ending July	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
		(Thousands)				(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,077	3,996	..	..	..	4,083*	..	4,045*
Initial and renewal claims filed	113	83	112	+ 36	-	1,198	1,277	2,113	2,289
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	219	220	212	- 1	+ 3	484*	480*	416*	423*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	151	169	150	- 11	-	440*	445*	331*	348*
Weeks compensated	664	675	631	- 2	+ 5	12,579	12,961	16,546	17,301
Benefit paid	\$ 15,506	15,987	14,512	- 3	+ 7	308,812	314,892	403,128	417,340

Average weekly benefit	\$	23.37	23.68	22.98	- 1	+ 2	24.55	24.30	24.36	24.12
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.
(Revised) (1)

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - June	4,077,000	3,856,700	220,300
May	3,996,000	3,725,100	270,900
April	4,173,000	3,607,100	565,900
March	4,242,000	3,556,700	685,300
February	4,264,000	3,543,500	720,500
January	4,259,000	3,555,900	703,100
1962 - December	4,223,000	3,631,000	592,000
November	4,110,000	3,735,800	374,200
October	4,009,000	3,764,900	244,100
September	3,998,000	3,800,200	197,800
August	4,022,000	3,823,300	198,700
July	3,996,000	3,784,000	212,000
June	3,977,000	3,762,700	214,300
May	4,084,100	3,653,300	430,800(2)

(1) Revised on the basis of book renewal at June 1, 1962.

(2) The number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal. For other months, the claimants are as shown in Table 3.

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Prov.	1963 - July - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	112,856	72,302	40,554	112,362	69,450	42,912
Nfld.	1,492	988	504	2,185	1,236	949
P.E.I.	355	237	118	392	270	122
N.S.	3,239	2,115	1,124	4,046	2,480	1,566
N.B.	3,425	2,342	1,083	3,811	2,390	1,421
Que.	32,966	20,059	12,907	33,180	20,298	12,882
Ont.	52,512	34,306	18,206	47,848	30,186	17,662
Man.	2,895	2,037	858	3,290	2,094	1,196
Sask.	1,432	1,027	405	1,768	1,240	528
Alta.	4,375	2,811	1,564	4,589	2,717	1,872
B.C.	10,165	6,380	3,785	11,253	6,539	4,714

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 33,257.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Province and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Percent- age Postal	July 31, 1962 total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)		
	July 31, 1963						
CANADA -	218,974	98,100	57,549	36,469	26,856	29.2	211,975
MALE	140,675	67,968	35,034	21,600	16,073	30.4	134,611
FEMALE	78,299	30,132	22,515	14,869	10,783	27.1	77,364
Nfld.	5,021	1,637	1,493	1,009	882	62.6	5,883
Male	4,010	1,401	1,143	757	709	65.2	4,848
Female	1,011	236	350	252	173	52.0	1,035
P.E.I.	806	308	259	116	123	65.3	819
Male	504	191	176	66	71	72.8	528
Female	302	117	83	50	52	52.6	291
N.S.	9,129	3,015	2,858	1,831	1,425	39.4	9,927
Male	6,616	2,208	2,179	1,334	895	39.7	7,458
Female	2,513	807	679	497	530	38.8	2,469
N.B.	8,141	3,175	2,245	1,786	935	47.3	8,159
Male	5,798	2,375	1,552	1,345	526	48.7	5,971
Female	2,343	800	693	441	409	43.7	2,188
Que.	66,712	27,104	20,551	11,611	7,446	26.8	63,101
Male	43,914	18,740	13,142	7,501	4,531	27.9	40,449
Female	22,798	8,364	7,409	4,110	2,915	24.9	22,652
Ont.	85,663	46,346	18,856	11,386	9,075	23.6	79,693
Male	54,233	32,801	10,344	5,907	5,181	23.4	48,552
Female	31,430	13,545	8,512	5,479	3,894	23.9	31,141
Man.	7,406	2,325	1,988	1,894	1,199	28.3	8,526
Male	4,063	1,221	1,128	1,101	613	31.6	5,021
Female	3,343	1,104	860	793	586	24.2	3,505
Sask.	3,844	1,385	911	847	701	40.8	4,482
Male	1,914	686	416	421	391	45.2	2,238
Female	1,930	699	495	426	310	36.4	2,244
Alta.	10,310	3,844	2,529	1,996	1,941	61.0	9,937
Male	6,370	2,392	1,444	1,116	1,418	65.4	6,117
Female	3,940	1,452	1,085	880	523	54.0	3,820
B.C.	21,942	8,961	5,859	3,993	3,129	22.2	21,448
Male	13,253	5,953	3,510	2,052	1,738	23.8	13,429
Female	8,689	3,008	2,349	1,941	1,391	19.9	8,019

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Province	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		

July - 1963

Canada -	101,592	40,162	32,928	23,724	4,778	28,924	12,429
Nfld.	1,840	512	354	806	168	442	170
P.E.I.	356	152	101	85	18	79	33
N.S.	3,705	1,828	898	823	156	622	337
N.B.	3,226	1,357	873	875	121	656	310
Que.	31,003	11,474	10,365	7,647	1,517	8,116	4,350
Ont.	43,040	17,945	14,996	8,330	1,769	14,910	5,081
Man.	2,986	1,247	751	835	153	676	223
Sask.	1,353	568	312	413	60	393	163
Alta.	4,349	1,628	1,312	1,206	203	1,162	646
B.C.	9,734	3,451	2,966	2,704	613	1,868	1,116

July - 1962

Canada -	103,169	38,676	35,902	24,080	4,511	25,258	11,151
Nfld.	1,916	597	666	559	94	515	317
P.E.I.	357	160	97	83	17	70	19
N.S.	3,877	1,532	1,327	859	159	747	389
N.B.	3,604	1,435	1,210	822	137	703	410
Que.	33,182	13,098	11,056	7,744	1,284	6,655	3,513
Ont.	40,847	15,281	14,826	8,914	1,826	12,466	4,050
Man.	2,936	1,161	952	691	132	680	514
Sask.	1,657	688	432	468	69	378	158
Alta.	4,300	1,531	1,512	1,050	207	1,086	543
B.C.	10,493	3,193	3,824	2,890	586	1,958	1,238

(1) In addition 32,482 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 2,934 were special requests not granted and 2,048 were appeals by claimants. There were 9,073 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during July 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1) 1962	12,412 13,540	257 388	39 40	388 485	547 460	4,253 4,654	4,225 4,699	446 345	178 218	627 589	1,452 1,662
Claimants disqualified	1963 1962	30,622 29,120	906 445	108 107	1,166 1,000	910 929	9,252 9,508	11,161 10,423	1,195 979	714 623	1,458 1,577	3,752 3,529
Not unemployed	1963 1962	1,053 710	468 63	10 16	51 53	47 42	133 187	213 197	30 32	26 24	26 23	49 73
Not capable of and not available for work	1963 1962	9,776 10,405	113 121	29 32	331 264	282 313	2,853 3,387	3,702 3,668	603 424	321 239	423 655	1,119 1,302
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963 1962	493 327	20 -	- -	- -	2 -	183 57	219 238	- 3	- 29	1 -	68 -
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963 1962	1,604 1,575	3 7	16 4	76 50	28 48	533 578	606 598	60 44	48 22	114 77	120 147
Discharged for misconduct	1963 1962	1,417 1,166	37 22	5 -	49 69	37 36	566 417	449 444	33 23	15 12	81 53	145 90
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963 1962	6,920 6,575	107 94	28 23	243 217	175 195	2,015 2,135	2,515 2,311	261 244	113 148	421 286	1,042 922
Other reasons	1963 1962	9,359 8,362	158 138	20 32	416 347	339 295	2,969 2,747	3,457 2,967	208 209	191 149	392 483	1,209 995

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during July

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - July - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	150.8	150.4
Newfoundland	3.3	4.6
Prince Edward Island	0.7	0.6
Nova Scotia	7.4	7.5
New Brunswick	6.3	6.4
Quebec	49.3	45.4
Ontario	51.6	50.7
Manitoba	6.0	6.6
Saskatchewan	3.2	3.8
Alberta	7.8	8.5
British Columbia	15.3	16.4

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - July - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	663,594	15,506,192	631,485	14,511,553
Nfld.	14,502	332,544	19,194	447,816
P.E.I.	2,905	57,386	2,453	48,482
N.S.	32,502	715,864	31,455	678,244
N.B.	27,907	618,135	26,817	587,079
Que.	216,808	5,130,618	190,496	4,408,043
Ont.	227,170	5,285,360	212,729	4,849,381
Man.	26,404	603,909	27,800	634,849
Sask.	13,875	306,581	15,856	346,184
Alta.	34,367	829,286	35,719	872,202
B.C.	67,154	1,626,509	68,966	1,639,273

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		Total	Due to Excess Earnings

July - 1963

Canada -	603,057	60,537	42,318
Newfoundland	12,906	1,596	1,428
Prince Edward Island	2,643	262	199
Nova Scotia	27,979	4,523	3,675
New Brunswick	24,356	3,551	2,725
Quebec	198,750	18,058	11,418
Ontario	207,405	19,765	13,270
Manitoba	23,863	2,541	1,932
Saskatchewan	12,619	1,256	891
Alberta	31,199	3,168	2,280
British Columbia	61,337	5,817	4,500

July - 1962

Canada -	572,080	59,405	41,894
Newfoundland	17,251	1,943	1,560
Prince Edward Island	2,240	213	164
Nova Scotia	26,972	4,483	3,654
New Brunswick	23,247	3,570	2,704
Quebec	173,490	17,006	10,760
Ontario	194,705	18,024	12,445
Manitoba	25,137	2,663	1,983
Saskatchewan	14,522	1,334	945
Alberta	32,351	3,368	2,445
British Columbia	62,165	6,801	5,234

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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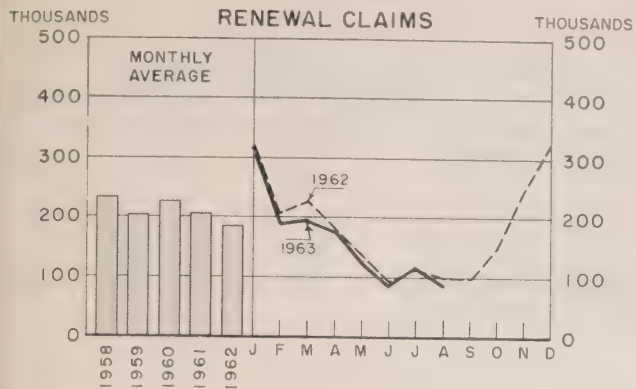
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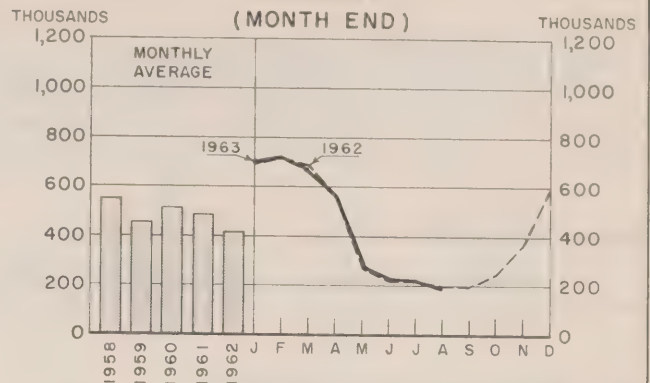
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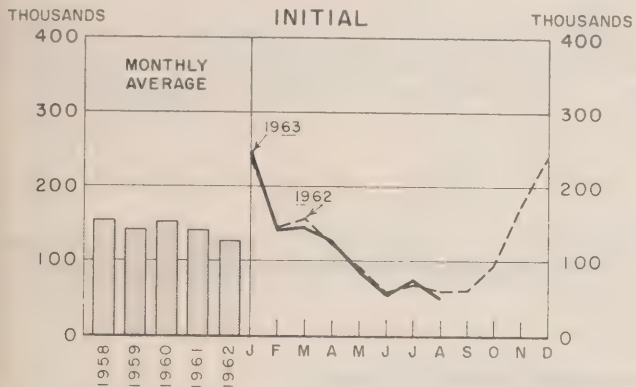
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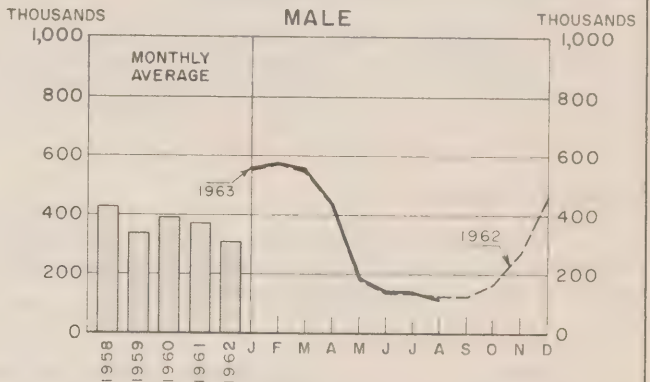
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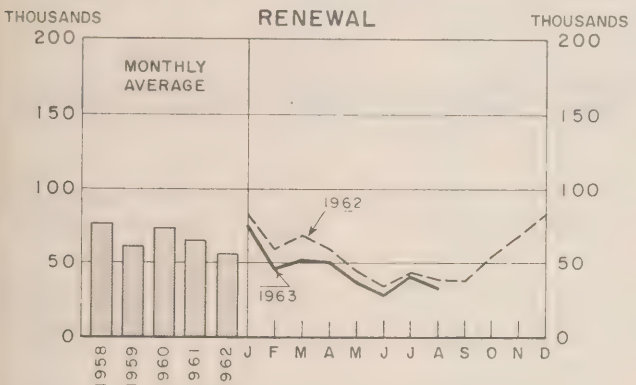
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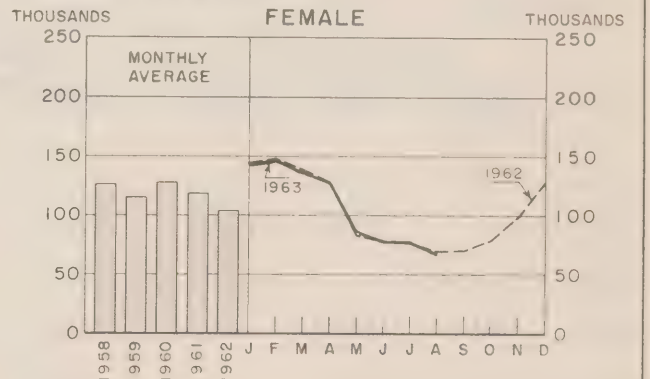
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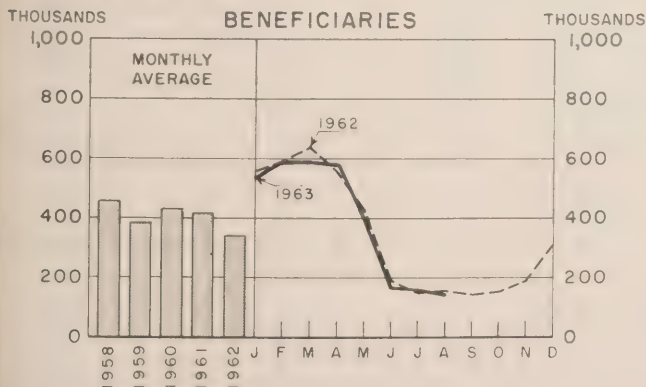
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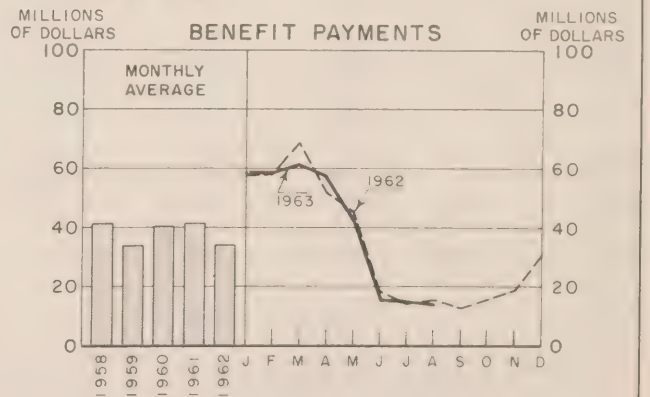
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BENEFIT PAYMENTS



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

AUGUST 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on August 30 numbered 192,500, about 10 per cent fewer than on July 31 but unchanged from the same date one year ago. The proportion of males, at about 65 per cent, was constant for the three periods under review.

Initial and renewal claims

Initial and renewal claims totalled 86,200 during August, almost 25 per cent below the July total of 112,900. For August 1962, the volume of claims was 98,800.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly estimate of beneficiaries was 141,900 for August, in comparison with 150,800 for July and 157,100 for August 1962. Benefit payments amounted to \$14 million in August, as against \$15.5 million in July and \$15.9 million in August 1962. The average weekly payment was \$23.50 in August, \$23.37 in July and \$22.97 in August 1962.

Claims by province

All provinces shared in the July-to-August reduction in the month-end claimant count. In comparison with one year ago, current totals were lower in all provinces but Prince Edward Island and Quebec where small increases occurred.

Percentage changes in the month-end claimant count

	July 31 to August 30, 1963			August 31, 1962 to August 30, 1963			July 31 to August 31, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 12	- 13	- 11	- 3	- 4	- 1	- 6	- 5	- 9
Nfld.	- 7	- 8	- 4	- 20	- 21	- 14	- 1	- 3	+ 9
P.E.I.	- 6	- 5	- 9	+ 2	+ 6	- 4	- 9	- 14	- 1
N.S.	- 2	- 2	- 3	- 16	- 20	- 5	+ 7	+ 8	+ 4
N.B.	- 7	- 8	- 6	- 13	- 18	+ 3	+ 7	+ 10	- 2
Que.	- 9	- 9	- 10	+ 5	+ 6	+ 4	- 9	- 7	- 12
Ont.	- 19	- 21	- 15	- 3	- 3	- 3	- 10	- 9	- 12
Man.	- 12	- 12	- 13	- 16	- 19	- 11	- 10	- 12	- 6
Sask.	- 10	- 8	- 12	- 17	- 15	- 19	- 7	- 8	- 6
Alta.	- 11	- 10	- 12	- 9	- 9	- 10	+ 2	+ 3	+ 1
B.C.	- 3	- 1	- 7	- 1	- 4	+ 4	-	+ 2	- 3

All provinces reported a substantial reduction in claims filed during August except Newfoundland, Alberta and British Columbia, where the declines were slight and Nova Scotia, where a slight increase occurred. In relation to August 1962, Québec and Ontario reported relatively smaller declines than elsewhere.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	July to August 1963			August 1962 to August 1963			July to August 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	- 24	- 27	- 18	- 13	- 11	- 15	- 12	- 14	- 9
Nfld.	- 3	- 4	- 2	- 37	- 28	- 49	+ 4	+ 6	+ 2
P.E.I.	- 39	- 45	- 28	- 22	- 32	- 1	- 30	- 30	- 30
N.S.	+ 6	- 3	+ 24	- 24	- 16	- 33	+ 12	- 2	+ 34
N.B.	- 17	- 21	- 9	- 29	- 23	- 38	+ 5	+ 1	+ 13
Que.	- 19	- 21	- 15	- 3	- 5	- 1	- 17	- 18	- 15
Ont.	- 35	- 38	- 28	- 9	- 9	- 8	- 22	- 23	- 20
Man.	- 23	- 23	- 24	- 27	- 21	- 38	- 8	- 6	- 11
Sask.	- 17	- 16	- 20	- 30	- 26	- 39	- 4	- 6	+ 1
Alta.	- 5	- 8	-	- 21	- 15	- 29	+ 14	+ 12	+ 17
B.C.	- 4	- 6	- 2	- 22	- 16	- 31	+ 12	+ 10	+ 14

.. Not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Aug. 1963	July 1963	Aug. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				July 1963	Aug. 1962	January to August		12 months ending August	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,154	4,022	..	..	..	4,076*	..	4,052*
Initial and renewal claims filed	86	113	99	- 24	- 13	1,284	1,376	2,100	2,266
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	193	219	199	- 12	- 3	447*	445*	415*	420*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	142	151	157	- 6	- 10	394*	409*	329*	346*
Weeks compensated	596	664	691	- 10	- 14	13,175	13,653	16,451	17,171
Benefit paid	\$ 14,007	15,506	15,878	- 10	- 12	322,819	330,770	401,257	414,353
Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.50	23.37	22.97	+ 1	+ 2	24.50	24.23	24.39	24.13

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - July	4,154,000	3,935,000	219,000
June	4,068,000	3,847,700	220,300
May	3,996,000	3,725,100	270,900
April	4,173,000	3,607,100	565,900
March	4,242,000	3,556,700	685,300
February	4,264,000	3,543,500	720,500
January	4,259,000	3,555,900	703,100
1962 - December	4,223,000	3,631,000	592,000
November	4,110,000	3,735,800	374,200
October	4,009,000	3,764,900	244,100
September	3,998,000	3,800,200	197,800
August	4,022,000	3,823,300	198,700
July	3,996,000	3,784,000	212,000

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Prov.	1963 - August - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	86,162	52,942	33,220	98,752	59,609	39,143
Nfld.	1,444	949	495	2,276	1,310	966
P.E.I.	215	130	85	276	190	86
N.S.	3,439	2,042	1,397	4,520	2,426	2,094
N.B.	2,849	1,859	990	4,015	2,413	1,602
Que.	26,694	15,828	10,866	27,640	16,640	11,000
Ont.	34,227	21,099	13,128	37,504	23,289	14,215
Man.	2,218	1,565	653	3,032	1,972	1,060
Sask.	1,188	865	323	1,700	1,169	531
Alta.	4,146	2,584	1,562	5,229	3,035	2,194
B.C.	9,742	6,021	3,721	12,560	7,165	5,395

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 36,604.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Percent- age Postal	August 31, 1962 total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)		
August 30, 1963							
CANADA -	192,511	81,453	55,684	31,988	23,386	29.3	198,694
MALE	123,058	57,150	33,745	18,074	14,089	30.1	128,234
FEMALE	69,453	24,303	21,939	13,914	9,297	27.8	70,460
Nfld.	4,676	1,389	1,583	811	893	63.6	5,824
Male	3,701	1,103	1,330	563	705	63.9	4,693
Female	975	286	253	248	188	62.4	1,131
P.E.I.	757	230	323	112	92	60.9	744
Male	481	130	214	72	65	67.4	455
Female	276	100	109	40	27	49.6	289
N.S.	8,918	3,178	2,636	1,733	1,371	38.4	10,633
Male	6,475	2,429	1,871	1,300	875	38.7	8,058
Female	2,443	749	765	433	496	37.7	2,575
N.B.	7,566	2,919	2,111	1,672	864	43.1	8,709
Male	5,359	2,147	1,392	1,304	516	44.5	6,572
Female	2,207	772	719	368	348	39.8	2,137
Que.	60,778	25,325	18,103	10,428	6,922	26.6	57,618
Male	40,146	18,324	11,521	6,043	4,258	26.8	37,797
Female	20,632	7,001	6,582	4,385	2,664	26.1	19,821
Ont.	69,404	31,770	19,591	10,313	7,730	23.6	71,631
Male	42,688	21,719	11,252	5,165	4,552	23.2	44,188
Female	26,716	10,051	8,339	5,148	3,178	24.3	27,443
Man.	6,486	1,838	2,102	1,379	1,167	26.4	7,693
Male	3,565	1,039	1,096	798	632	28.2	4,398
Female	2,921	799	1,006	581	535	24.1	3,295
Sask.	3,465	1,362	978	570	555	40.9	4,164
Male	1,759	736	447	308	268	43.9	2,063
Female	1,706	626	531	262	287	37.7	2,101
Alta.	9,177	3,619	2,577	1,780	1,201	59.8	10,131
Male	5,722	2,553	1,460	937	772	62.7	6,278
Female	3,455	1,066	1,117	843	429	55.0	3,853
B.C.	21,284	9,823	5,680	3,190	2,591	23.6	21,547
Male	13,162	6,970	3,162	1,584	1,446	25.6	13,732
Female	8,122	2,853	2,518	1,606	1,145	20.4	7,815

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month.(1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		

August - 1963

Canada -	99,105	40,470	31,125	22,629	4,881	18,767	9,643
Nfld.	1,502	527	403	486	86	378	176
P.E.I.	254	92	66	70	26	47	26
N.S.	3,479	1,201	1,236	873	169	590	329
N.B.	2,887	1,023	859	869	136	623	305
Que.	29,748	10,626	10,256	7,287	1,579	6,031	3,381
Ont.	43,312	20,419	12,807	8,205	1,881	7,385	3,521
Man.	2,389	984	575	718	112	539	189
Sask.	1,319	558	326	375	60	325	100
Alta.	4,203	1,515	1,384	1,089	215	1,142	609
B.C.	10,012	3,525	3,213	2,657	617	1,707	1,007

August - 1962

Canada -	106,077	40,595	35,493	24,954	5,035	19,318	9,766
Nfld.	2,337	678	873	635	151	512	259
P.E.I.	292	119	69	91	13	50	23
N.S.	4,565	1,549	1,922	890	204	734	357
N.B.	4,036	1,405	1,493	998	140	713	379
Que.	29,217	10,315	10,093	7,491	1,318	5,489	3,102
Ont.	42,836	18,792	13,052	9,058	1,934	7,905	3,279
Man.	3,381	1,245	989	934	213	473	372
Sask.	1,772	696	465	519	92	332	132
Alta.	5,057	1,673	1,864	1,282	238	1,166	635
B.C.	12,584	4,123	4,673	3,056	732	1,944	1,228

(1) In addition 35,545 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 2,890 were special requests not granted and 2,118 were appeals by claimants. There were 10,132 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during August 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1)	11,374	243	33	466	571	3,832	3,924	326	138	511	1,330
	1962	13,803	415	42	500	675	4,408	4,691	409	221	630	1,812
Claimants disqualified	1963	33,901	615	180	1,491	1,209	10,910	12,092	1,117	724	1,448	4,115
	1962	35,194	764	124	1,390	1,080	11,259	11,927	1,253	841	1,672	4,884
Not unemployed	1963	562	38	10	37	27	154	176	26	21	21	52
	1962	557	33	5	33	30	146	198	26	17	19	50
Not capable of and not available for work	1963	9,423	120	40	273	261	2,811	3,637	487	278	439	1,077
	1962	9,827	166	40	288	237	3,073	3,590	394	295	528	1,216
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963	340	12	-	-	-	164	100	-	-	1	63
	1962	547	-	-	5	1	183	203	154	-	-	1
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963	1,616	9	10	97	33	550	638	40	46	76	117
	1962	1,724	6	11	77	31	697	591	36	48	84	143
Discharged for misconduct	1963	1,411	26	1	48	54	561	491	43	10	57	120
	1962	1,247	22	10	45	43	443	470	29	17	52	116
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963	7,140	167	28	259	168	2,076	2,550	225	135	436	1,096
	1962	7,066	112	12	247	197	2,108	2,409	315	166	485	1,015
Other reasons	1963	13,409	243	91	777	666	4,594	4,500	296	234	418	1,590
	1962	14,226	425	46	695	541	4,609	4,466	299	298	504	2,343
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during August												
	1963	1,838	60	4	75	96	602	687	47	16	52	199

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - August - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	141.9	157.1
Newfoundland	4.1	4.7
Prince Edward Island	0.6	0.7
Nova Scotia	6.5	8.3
New Brunswick	5.4	7.1
Quebec	44.1	45.5
Ontario	52.7	56.8
Manitoba	5.3	6.7
Saskatchewan	2.7	3.7
Alberta	6.8	7.4
British Columbia	13.7	16.3

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Prov.	1963 - August - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	596,026	14,007,035	691,346	15,878,047
Nfld.	17,380	428,097	20,817	494,454
P.E.I.	2,527	50,774	3,060	61,673
N.S.	27,385	602,281	36,447	799,405
N.B.	22,757	495,150	31,305	677,508
Que.	185,279	4,347,862	200,050	4,593,067
Ont.	221,350	5,258,742	249,810	5,735,821
Man.	22,177	495,301	29,544	670,663
Sask.	11,352	245,312	16,157	355,913
Alta.	28,481	680,982	32,455	778,984
B.C.	57,338	1,402,534	71,701	1,710,559

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

August - 1963

Canada -	540,196	55,830	37,248
Newfoundland	15,840	1,540	1,327
Prince Edward Island	2,359	168	115
Nova Scotia	23,578	3,807	3,013
New Brunswick	19,975	2,782	2,058
Quebec	170,312	14,967	9,128
Ontario	199,395	21,955	14,074
Manitoba	20,241	1,936	1,343
Saskatchewan	10,313	1,039	667
Alberta	25,524	2,957	2,068
British Columbia	52,659	4,679	3,455

August - 1962

Canada -	625,666	65,680	43,402
Newfoundland	18,717	2,100	1,628
Prince Edward Island	2,801	259	195
Nova Scotia	31,618	4,829	3,907
New Brunswick	27,238	4,067	2,841
Quebec	183,091	16,959	10,027
Ontario	224,352	25,458	15,934
Manitoba	27,444	2,100	1,426
Saskatchewan	14,930	1,227	805
Alberta	29,349	3,106	2,179
British Columbia	66,126	5,575	4,460

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

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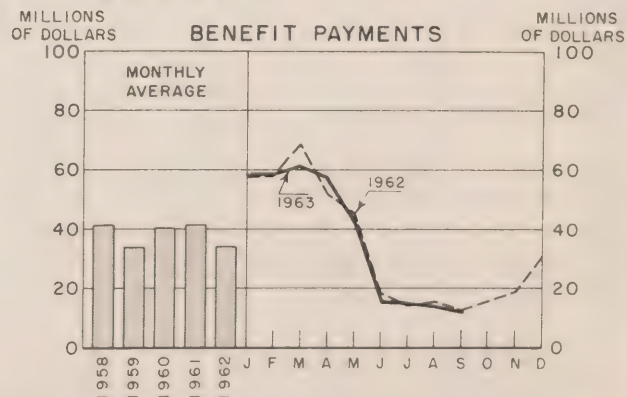
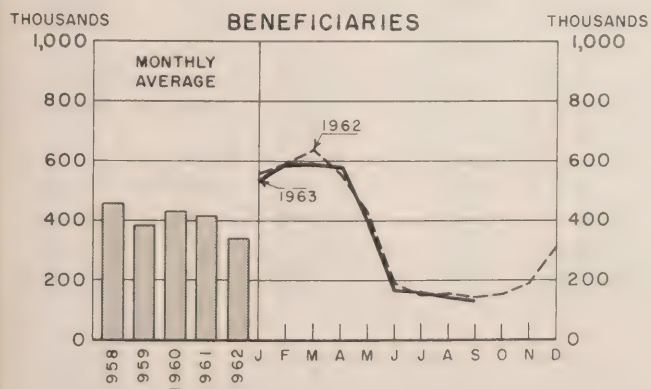
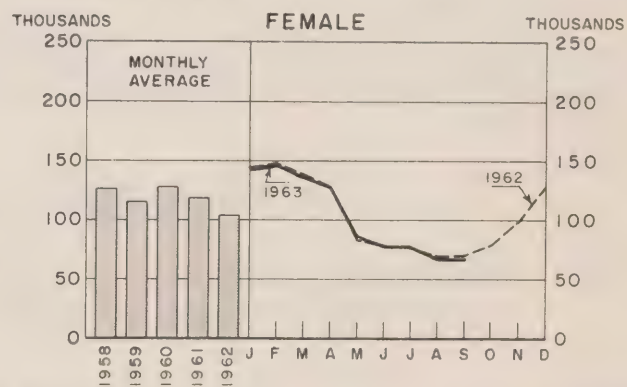
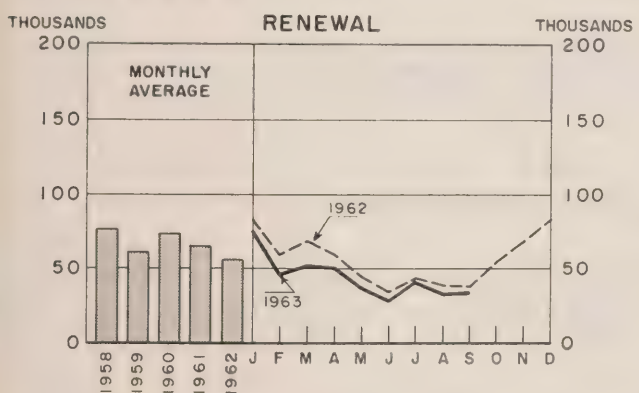
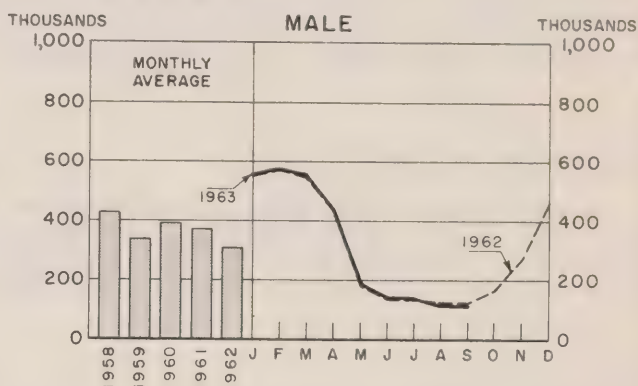
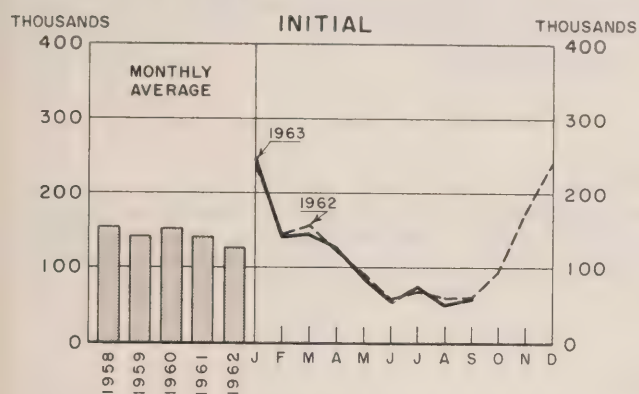
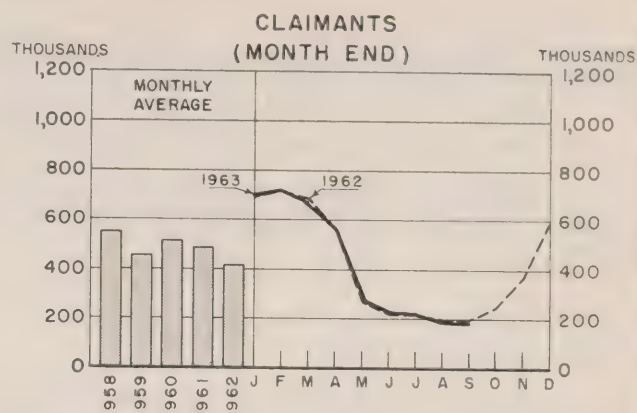
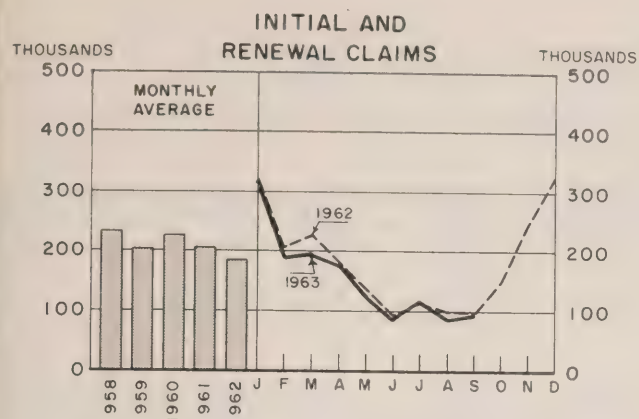
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For information regarding the personal characteristics, occupational and industrial status of both the insured population and persons establishing benefit periods, see the "Annual Report on Benefit Periods Established and Terminated under the Unemployment Insurance Act", D.B.S. Labour Division, Unemployment Insurance Section.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

SEPTEMBER 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on September 30, numbered 186,300, down slightly from 192,500 on August 30 and 197,800, on September 28, 1962.

Slightly more than 25 per cent of the current claimants had been on continuous claim more than 13 weeks. The proportion of females in this category, at 30 per cent, was higher than for males (25 per cent).

Initial and renewal claims

A total of 92,900 initial and renewal claims were received at local offices across Canada during September. This is almost 10 per cent above the 86,200 for August but 5 per cent fewer than the 98,300 for September 1962. Ninety-five per cent of the current claim load, about 88,000 claims, were on behalf of persons separating from employment during September.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly number of beneficiaries was estimated at 133,000 in September, as against 141,900 for August and 142,600 for September 1962. Benefit payments amounted to \$12.5 million during September, in comparison with \$14.0 million during August and \$12.7 million during September 1962. The average weekly payment was \$23.54 for September, \$23.50 for August and \$23.36 for September 1962.

Claims by province

Small declines occurred in the September 30 claimant count in the Atlantic provinces and in Ontario; there was no change in Quebec and Saskatchewan, while elsewhere slight increases occurred. In comparison with one year ago, all provinces recorded decreases except Quebec, where there was virtually no change.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	August 30 to September 30, 1963			September 28, 1962 to September 30, 1963			August 31 to September 28, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	- 3	- 5	-	- 6	- 8	- 2	-	- 1	+ 1
Nfld.	- 13	- 17	- 1	- 30	- 35	- 4	- 1	+ 2	- 11
P.E.I.	- 7	- 14	+ 5	- 2	- 3	-	- 3	- 6	+ 1
N.S.	- 5	- 7	+ 1	- 17	- 24	+ 9	- 4	- 2	- 12
N.B.	- 1	- 2	+ 2	- 14	- 20	+ 4	-	-	+ 1
Que.	-	+ 1	- 2	+ 1	-	+ 2	+ 5	+ 7	-
Ont.	- 9	- 13	- 3	- 3	- 3	- 4	- 9	- 13	- 2
Man.	+ 2	- 2	+ 6	- 24	- 32	- 12	+ 12	+ 17	+ 7
Sask.	-	- 12	+ 11	- 19	- 25	- 14	+ 3	-	+ 5
Alta.	+ 9	+ 6	+ 16	- 6	- 6	- 5	+ 5	+ 3	+ 10
B.C.	+ 2	+ 3	-	- 7	- 8	- 5	+ 8	+ 7	+ 9

The monthly claim load showed a substantial increase over August in all provinces except Nova Scotia and Ontario where small declines occurred. The volume was below last year's in all provinces except Quebec and Ontario where there was no change.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	August to September 1963			September 1962 to September 1963			August to September 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 8	+ 9	+ 5	- 5	- 4	- 7	- 1	+ 2	- 3
Nfld.	+ 26	+ 25	+ 27	- 19	- 17	- 22	- 2	+ 9	- 16
P.E.I.	+ 34	+ 40	+ 26	- 13	- 11	- 16	+ 20	+ 8	+ 48
N.S.	- 2	+ 4	- 10	- 19	- 11	- 28	- 8	- 2	- 16
N.B.	+ 22	+ 13	+ 38	- 10	- 9	- 12	- 4	- 4	- 4
Que.	+ 11	+ 15	+ 5	-	- 1	+ 2	+ 7	+ 11	+ 1
Ont.	- 2	- 2	- 1	-	-	-	- 10	- 11	- 9
Man.	+ 25	+ 23	+ 28	- 25	- 21	- 33	+ 21	+ 24	+ 17
Sask.	+ 16	+ 16	+ 17	- 21	- 11	- 40	+ 4	- 3	+ 18
Alta.	+ 26	+ 28	+ 21	- 3	-	- 7	+ 3	+ 10	- 7
B.C.	+ 16	+ 18	+ 14	- 17	- 12	- 25	+ 9	+ 12	+ 4

.. Not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Sept. 1963	Aug. 1963	Sept. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Aug. 1963	Sept. 1962	January to September		12 months ending September	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,065	3,998	..	..	..	4,067*	..	4,059*
Initial and renewal claims filed	93	86	98	+ 8	- 5	1,377	1,474	2,095	2,243
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	186	193	198	- 3	- 6	418*	417*	414*	418*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	133	142	143	- 6	- 7	365*	380*	328*	343*
Weeks compensated	532	596	542	- 11	- 2	13,707	14,195	16,441	17,020
Benefit paid	\$ 12,528	14,007	12,664	- 11	- 1	335,346	343,434	401,120	410,935
Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.54	23.50	23.36	-	+ 1	24.47	24.19	24.40	24.14

* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - August	4,065,000	3,872,500	192,500
July	4,078,000	3,859,000	219,000
June	4,068,000	3,847,700	220,300
May	3,996,000	3,725,100	270,900
April	4,173,000	3,607,100	565,900
March	4,242,000	3,556,700	685,300
February	4,264,000	3,543,500	720,500
January	4,259,000	3,555,900	703,100
1962 - December	4,223,000	3,631,000	592,000
November	4,110,000	3,735,800	374,200
October	4,009,000	3,764,900	244,100
September	3,998,000	3,800,200	197,800
August	4,022,000	3,823,300	198,700

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Prov.	1963 - September - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	92,892	57,884	35,008	98,293	60,512	37,781
Nfld.	1,813	1,184	629	2,232	1,422	810
P.E.I.	289	182	107	332	205	127
N.S.	3,375	2,114	1,261	4,142	2,388	1,754
N.B.	3,470	2,105	1,365	3,857	2,312	1,545
Que.	29,566	18,209	11,357	29,530	18,447	11,083
Ont.	33,695	20,739	12,956	33,712	20,779	12,933
Man.	2,766	1,931	835	3,681	2,437	1,244
Sask.	1,382	1,003	379	1,760	1,131	629
Alta.	5,207	3,320	1,887	5,371	3,333	2,038
B.C.	11,329	7,097	4,232	13,676	8,058	5,618

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 34,940.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex, and Percentage Postal.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Prov. and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Percent- age Postal	September 28, 1962 total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)		
September 30, 1963							
CANADA -	186,261	85,830	50,011	30,080	20,340	29.0	197,799
MALE	117,024	58,081	29,915	16,869	12,159	29.7	126,914
FEMALE	69,237	27,749	20,096	13,211	8,181	28.0	70,885
Nfld.	4,053	1,456	1,124	814	659	74.2	5,783
Male	3,085	1,136	892	541	516	73.5	4,774
Female	968	320	232	273	143	76.7	1,009
P.E.I.	703	293	246	83	81	55.8	718
Male	413	149	139	60	65	63.4	427
Female	290	144	107	23	16	44.8	291
N.S.	8,466	3,420	2,420	1,595	1,031	38.3	10,183
Male	5,997	2,529	1,613	1,191	664	38.6	7,912
Female	2,469	891	807	404	367	37.5	2,271
N.B.	7,495	3,315	1,969	1,534	677	47.1	8,744
Male	5,245	2,300	1,392	1,138	415	49.2	6,582
Female	2,250	1,015	577	396	262	42.3	2,162
Que.	60,592	27,155	17,265	9,990	6,182	26.1	60,286
Male	40,366	19,933	11,051	5,693	3,689	26.0	40,545
Female	20,226	7,222	6,214	4,297	2,493	26.4	19,741
Ont.	63,161	30,749	16,197	9,416	6,799	23.4	65,210
Male	37,260	19,577	9,003	4,803	3,877	23.1	38,309
Female	25,901	11,172	7,194	4,613	2,922	23.8	26,901
Man.	6,592	2,136	1,854	1,424	1,178	24.1	8,647
Male	3,498	1,143	884	740	731	25.2	5,124
Female	3,094	993	970	684	447	22.9	3,523
Sask.	3,450	1,451	1,069	465	465	37.4	4,277
Male	1,551	727	391	206	227	40.4	2,070
Female	1,899	724	678	259	238	35.0	2,207
Alta.	10,041	4,658	2,537	1,720	1,126	56.1	10,678
Male	6,037	2,959	1,486	900	692	59.6	6,446
Female	4,004	1,699	1,051	820	434	50.7	4,232
B.C.	21,708	11,197	5,330	3,039	2,142	22.3	23,273
Male	13,572	7,628	3,064	1,597	1,283	23.1	14,725
Female	8,136	3,569	2,266	1,442	859	21.0	8,548

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month. (1)

Prov.	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		

September - 1963

Canada -	88,625	32,493	28,690	22,853	4,589	21,305	11,372
Nfld.	1,546	488	459	488	111	586	235
P.E.I.	280	93	96	77	14	59	23
N.S.	3,141	1,092	1,034	861	154	751	402
N.B.	3,367	1,181	1,117	909	160	638	393
Que.	28,182	10,031	9,651	7,053	1,447	7,156	3,640
Ont.	32,864	12,615	10,634	7,924	1,691	7,585	4,152
Man.	2,597	997	650	830	120	643	254
Sask.	1,304	524	275	448	57	356	147
Alta.	4,748	1,797	1,481	1,257	213	1,408	802
B.C.	10,596	3,675	3,293	3,006	622	2,123	1,324

September - 1962

Canada -	96,489	34,944	32,231	24,685	4,629	20,201	10,687
Nfld.	2,228	758	690	653	127	523	252
P.E.I.	306	106	103	83	14	66	33
N.S.	3,971	1,392	1,493	917	169	813	449
N.B.	3,765	1,358	1,313	942	152	725	459
Que.	28,300	10,211	9,550	7,090	1,449	6,635	3,186
Ont.	34,383	13,270	10,871	8,569	1,673	6,845	3,668
Man.	3,301	1,152	1,003	1,035	111	723	502
Sask.	1,569	582	476	433	78	448	207
Alta.	5,310	1,818	1,867	1,375	250	1,306	556
B.C.	13,356	4,297	4,865	3,588	606	2,117	1,375

(1) In addition 36,885 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 2,867 were special requests not granted and 2,068 were appeals by claimants. There were 8,186 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during September 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1)	12,306	261	35	433	589	3,986	3,958	419	203	692	1,730
	1962	14,389	341	47	506	635	4,279	4,552	668	229	816	2,316
Claimants disqualified	1963	33,820	792	160	1,143	1,003	11,161	12,393	1,305	766	1,797	3,300
	1962	34,962	893	111	1,291	1,101	11,920	12,725	913	573	1,420	4,015
Not unemployed	1963	566	26	7	30	33	169	156	33	16	40	56
	1962	585	73	3	27	33	170	152	17	22	21	67
Not capable of and not available for work	1963	9,642	159	46	312	302	2,787	3,665	491	362	506	1,012
	1962	9,000	172	26	278	298	2,722	3,445	323	231	498	1,007
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963	217	-	-	7	2	159	47	-	-	1	1
	1962	159	-	-	-	1	37	67	8	-	-	46
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963	1,711	6	27	66	23	546	761	53	59	67	103
	1962	1,790	7	17	98	47	687	692	23	27	64	128
Discharged for misconduct	1963	1,257	31	1	34	31	514	431	27	14	60	114
	1962	1,170	36	1	46	40	444	416	18	11	47	111
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963	6,668	123	22	254	170	1,929	2,417	229	112	380	1,032
	1962	6,533	146	27	222	178	1,960	2,343	217	116	377	947
Other reasons	1963	13,759	447	57	440	442	5,057	4,916	472	203	743	982
	1962	15,725	459	37	620	504	5,900	5,610	307	166	413	1,709
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim												
during September		1,606	58	6	72	85	522	590	29	12	58	174

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - September - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	133.0	142.6
Newfoundland	3.2	4.2
Prince Edward Island	0.6	0.6
Nova Scotia	6.5	7.7
New Brunswick	5.4	6.7
Quebec	43.2	41.3
Ontario	47.1	50.3
Manitoba	4.5	5.9
Saskatchewan	2.4	3.2
Alberta	6.4	7.1
British Columbia	13.8	15.8

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Province	1963 - September - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	532,124	12,527,626	542,054	12,664,177
Nfld.	12,748	290,372	15,865	363,665
P.E.I.	2,368	46,109	2,329	47,104
N.S.	25,969	556,996	29,123	648,812
N.B.	21,595	482,208	25,419	556,446
Que.	172,740	4,112,674	156,753	3,701,881
Ont.	188,338	4,461,602	191,234	4,510,681
Man.	18,110	412,621	22,238	494,549
Sask.	9,626	205,430	12,201	264,086
Alta.	25,405	619,716	26,978	638,514
B.C.	55,225	1,339,898	59,914	1,438,439

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

September - 1963

Canada -	482,373	49,751	35,300
Newfoundland	11,240	1,508	1,339
Prince Edward Island	2,170	198	132
Nova Scotia	22,036	3,933	3,229
New Brunswick	18,655	2,940	2,218
Quebec	158,201	14,539	9,404
Ontario	171,563	16,775	11,739
Manitoba	16,581	1,529	1,093
Saskatchewan	8,778	848	563
Alberta	22,902	2,503	1,806
British Columbia	50,247	4,978	3,777

September - 1962

Canada -	494,725	47,329	32,946
Newfoundland	13,692	2,173	1,808
Prince Edward Island	2,155	174	127
Nova Scotia	24,892	4,231	3,500
New Brunswick	22,053	3,366	2,471
Quebec	146,752	10,001	4,933
Ontario	174,140	17,094	12,134
Manitoba	20,268	1,970	1,269
Saskatchewan	10,875	1,326	1,023
Alberta	24,826	2,152	1,559
British Columbia	55,072	4,842	4,122

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to

certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

Geographical classification: The provinces as defined in this bulletin are administrative entities. Hence, Ontario excludes Sioux Lookout for which data are included with Manitoba; British Columbia includes Whitehorse; Quebec excludes Magdalen Islands for which data are included in New Brunswick.

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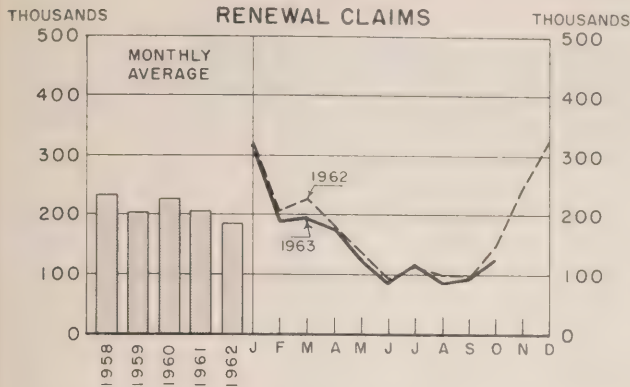
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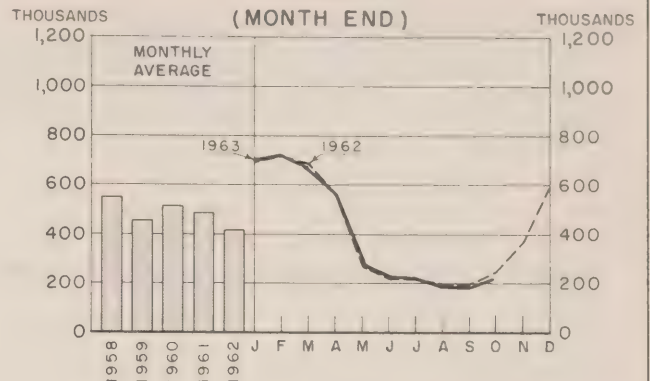
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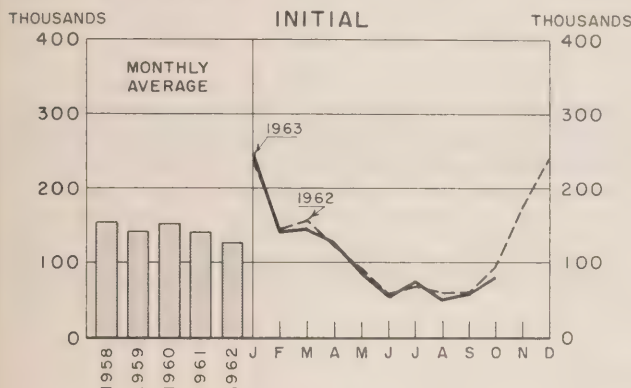
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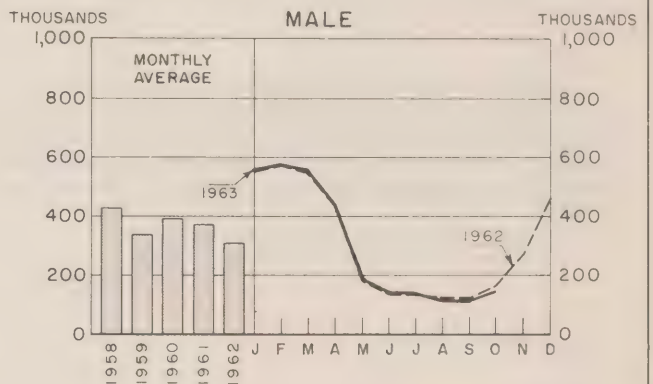
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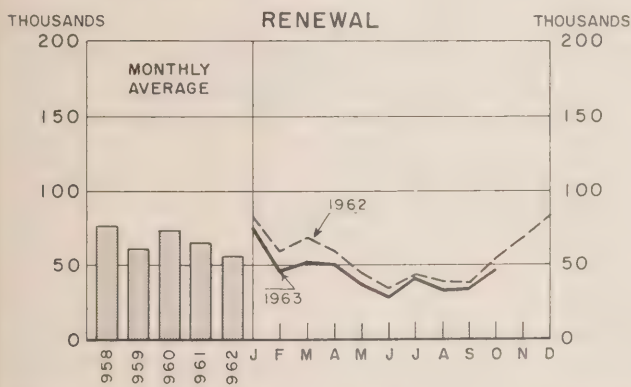
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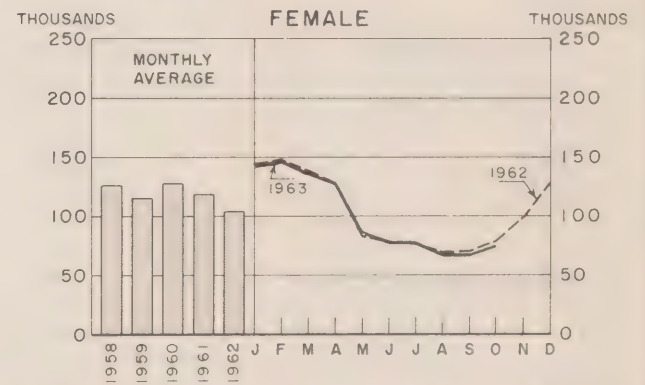
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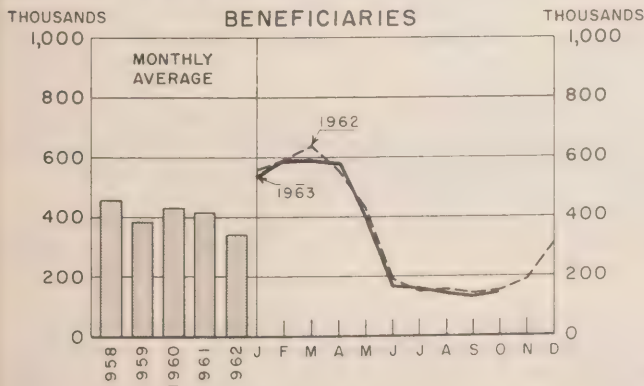
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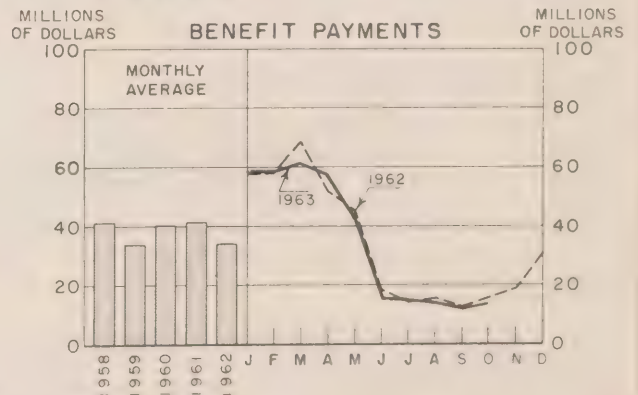
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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

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Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit increased to 218,900 on October 31 from 186,300 on September 30. The end-of-October total is, however, some 25,000 below the figure of 244,100 recorded on October 31, 1962. Males accounted for most of the variation from either the previous month or last year.

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
September to October increase in claimant count	32,605	26,529	6,076
Per cent	100	81	19
October 31, 1962 to October 31, 1963 decline in claimant count	25,274	21,763	3,511
Per cent	100	86	14

The month-to-month increment in the male segment of the claimant group is reflected in the relatively heavier proportion of males, between 55 and 60 per cent, on continuous claim less than 5 weeks, in comparison with 42 per cent for females. The distribution through the various duration categories, September 30 and October 31 is as follows:

	<u>Continuous weeks on claim</u>				
	<u>Total</u>	<u>1 - 4</u>	<u>5 - 13</u>	<u>14 - 26</u>	<u>27 or more</u>
October 31, 1963:					
Total	100	52	26	13	9
Male	100	57	24	11	8
Female	100	42	30	18	10
September 30, 1963:					
Total	100	46	27	16	11
Male	100	50	26	14	10
Female	100	40	29	19	12

Initial and renewal claims

A total of 126,200 initial and renewal claims were filed in local offices across Canada during October, an increase of some 33,000 over the September total of 92,900. One year ago, 150,400 claims were filed.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly number of beneficiaries was estimated at 148,800 for October, 133,000 for September and 152,900 for October 1962. Benefit payments amounted to \$14.0 million in October, \$12.5 million for September and \$15.8 million for October, 1962. The average weekly payment declined slightly to \$23.51 in October from \$23.54 in September. For October 1962 it was \$23.42.

Claims by province

All provinces shared in the September to October increase in the month-end claimant count, the largest relative increase (close to 45 per cent) occurring in Newfoundland. Male claimants in Newfoundland and Saskatchewan were up by more than 50 per cent. Year-over-year declines were evident in all provinces. The largest were in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, where the number of recorded claimants was lower by more than 25 per cent.

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	September 30 to October 31, 1963			October 31, 1962 to October 31, 1963			September 28 to October 31, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 18	+ 23	+ 9	- 10	- 13	- 4	+ 23	+ 30	+ 11
Nfld.	+ 43	+ 56	+ 4	- 4	- 8	+ 21	+ 5	+ 10	- 18
P.E.I.	+ 10	+ 18	- 1	- 12	- 18	-	+ 23	+ 39	- 1
N.S.	+ 14	+ 17	+ 6	- 23	- 28	- 4	+ 23	+ 24	+ 20
N.B.	+ 17	+ 19	+ 12	- 14	- 22	+ 11	+ 17	+ 21	+ 5
Que.	+ 15	+ 18	+ 9	- 5	- 7	- 1	+ 22	+ 26	+ 13
Ont.	+ 11	+ 14	+ 6	- 12	- 15	- 5	+ 21	+ 30	+ 8
Man.	+ 20	+ 30	+ 9	- 30	- 36	- 19	+ 31	+ 39	+ 19
Sask.	+ 24	+ 51	+ 2	- 28	- 35	- 17	+ 39	+ 74	+ 6
Alta.	+ 32	+ 47	+ 10	- 3	+ 1	- 10	+ 28	+ 37	+ 15
B.C.	+ 32	+ 41	+ 17	- 8	- 9	- 5	+ 34	+ 44	+ 17

Examination of the claims filed series reveals somewhat similar movements to those observed in the claimant count. The main difference between the two series is in degree, the month-to-month and year-over-year variations in the claims filed being substantially greater than those for the claimants. This occurs because, first of all, some persons who file a claim early in the month never return to prove a period of unemployment. Then too, a portion of the claims filed during the month are by persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of benefit rights; such cases would not represent any change in the month-end claimant count. Again, claimants may cease reporting during a month because they have found work, or have exhausted benefit and cannot re-qualify immediately.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	September to October 1963			October 1962 to October 1963			September to October 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 36	+ 38	+ 33	- 16	- 17	- 15	+ 53	+ 58	+ 45
Nfld.	+ 74	+ 80	+ 64	- 12	- 9	- 20	+ 62	+ 64	+ 58
P.E.I.	+ 34	+ 47	+ 11	- 13	- 9	- 22	+ 34	+ 43	+ 20
N.S.	+ 37	+ 38	+ 35	- 28	- 28	- 28	+ 54	+ 68	+ 35
N.B.	+ 28	+ 37	+ 14	- 24	- 22	- 28	+ 51	+ 59	+ 40
Que.	+ 34	+ 35	+ 33	- 11	- 11	- 9	+ 50	+ 50	+ 50
Ont.	+ 23	+ 26	+ 19	- 18	- 20	- 16	+ 51	+ 57	+ 42
Man.	+ 64	+ 58	+ 77	- 24	- 20	- 32	+ 63	+ 57	+ 75
Sask.	+ 64	+ 67	+ 55	- 38	- 35	- 44	+ 106	+ 128	+ 66
Alta.	+ 52	+ 54	+ 48	- 11	- 12	- 9	+ 65	+ 74	+ 51
B.C.	+ 57	+ 55	+ 59	- 13	- 13	- 13	+ 49	+ 58	+ 37

Industrial Classification of Persons Filing Initial(1)
Claims for Unemployment Insurance during September 1963

Initial claims filed by persons separating from employment during September numbered 52,800, comprising more than 90 per cent of initial claims filed. New initial claims during September 1962 totalled 55,500.

The most notable variation in the industrial composition of the current claim load, in comparison with one year ago, is a sizeable increase in the proportion of claims from manufacturing, i.e. 36 per cent this year, versus 30 per cent one year ago. Most of the year-over-year increase occurred in Ontario where claims from manufacturing are 40 per cent higher than in September last year. The increases are mainly concentrated in durable goods manufacturing.

(1) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims.

Percentage distribution of claims(1) by Industry and Province
September 1963 and 1962

<u>Industry Group</u>		<u>Canada</u>	<u>Nfld.</u>	<u>P.E.I.</u>	<u>N.S.</u>	<u>N.B.</u>	<u>Que.</u>	<u>Ont.</u>	<u>Man.</u>	<u>Sask.</u>	<u>Alta.</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
Total new cases ('000)	1963	52.8	1.0	(2)	1.9	1.8	16.5	19.0	1.8	0.9	3.2	6.6
	1962	55.5	1.2	(2)	2.0	2.0	16.8	19.2	2.3	1.1	3.2	7.6
Per cent distribution												
Forestry (mainly logging)	1963	2	2	-	3	6	2	1	-	1	(3)	4
	1962	3	5	-	3	5	4	1	1	-	2	7
Fishing(4) and trapping	1963	1	3	-	3	5	-	-	-	-	(3)	1
	1962	(3)	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Mining	1963	1	6	-	5	1	1	1	2	2	6	1
	1962	2	2	-	3	2	1	2	2	3	7	2
Manufacturing	1963	36	24	9	25	25	37	46	21	13	23	29
	1962	30	21	6	25	23	37	33	21	12	14	24
Construction	1963	14	18	22	13	12	16	11	10	8	16	15
	1962	14	16	13	15	14	16	12	10	10	15	16
Transp., commun., and other util.	1963	6	11	20	7	12	5	4	11	7	5	8
	1962	8	16	23	9	15	5	7	13	9	7	10
Trade	1963	15	21	16	21	19	14	13	22	29	19	15
	1962	18	15	22	21	18	16	19	19	26	20	13
Service	1963	17	7	16	12	13	16	17	21	29	18	18
	1962	15	9	13	10	9	13	15	21	23	20	17
Public admin. and defence	1963	4	7	11	6	5	4	2	11	6	8	4
	1962	6	14	18	9	10	4	5	8	10	9	4
Other	1963	6	(3)	6	5	2	6	6	3	7	5	5
	1962	5	1	4	3	4	4	6	6	8	6	6
Total cases	1963	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	1962	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

(1) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims.

(2) Less than 500.

(3) Less than 1/2 of 1 per cent.

(4) Persons whose reported occupation under covered employment was "fisherman" were coded to the fishing industry even though the nature of business of the most recent employer was other than fishing. This differs from the general coding practice of assigning a single code on the basis of the principal activity of the employer. However, fishermen report themselves usually as self-employed.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Oct. 1963	Sept. 1963	Oct. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Sept. 1963	Oct. 1962	January to October		12 months ending October	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,028	4,009	..	..	..	4,061*	..	4,065*
Initial and renewal claims filed	126	93	150	+ 36	- 16	1,503	1,625	2,071	2,235
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	219	186	244	+ 18	- 10	398*	400*	412*	416*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	149	133	153	+ 12	- 3	343*	357*	328*	342*
Weeks compensated	595	532	673	+ 12	- 12	14,302	14,867	16,363	16,965
Benefit paid	\$ 13,989	12,528	15,754	+ 12	- 11	349,336	359,187	399,356	409,573

Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.51	23.54	23.42	-	-	24.43	24.16	24.41	24.14
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - September	4,028,000	3,841,700	186,300
August	4,125,000	3,932,500	192,500
July	4,078,000	3,859,000	219,000
June	4,068,000	3,847,700	220,300
May	3,996,000	3,725,100	270,900
April	4,173,000	3,607,100	565,900
March	4,242,000	3,556,700	685,300
February	4,264,000	3,543,500	720,500
January	4,259,000	3,555,900	703,100
1962 - December	4,223,000	3,631,000	592,000
November	4,110,000	3,735,800	374,200
October	4,009,000	3,764,900	244,100
September	3,998,000	3,800,200	197,800

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Province	1963 - October - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	126,219	79,690	46,529	150,444	95,524	54,920
Nfld.	3,159	2,130	1,029	3,610	2,328	1,282
P.E.I.	387	268	119	445	293	152
N.S.	4,608	2,909	1,699	6,389	4,020	2,369
N.B.	4,435	2,880	1,555	5,832	3,669	2,163
Que.	39,663	24,584	15,079	44,318	27,681	16,637
Ont.	41,544	26,096	15,448	50,915	32,609	18,306
Man.	4,531	3,053	1,478	6,001	3,830	2,171
Sask.	2,261	1,673	588	3,623	2,577	1,046
Alta.	7,895	5,102	2,793	8,881	5,809	3,072
B.C.	17,736	10,995	6,741	20,430	12,708	7,722

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 34,035.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Province and Sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)	
		<u>October 31, 1963</u>				<u>October 31, 1962</u>
CANADA -	218,866	112,809	57,756	29,394	18,907	244,140
MALE	143,553	81,164	34,972	16,100	11,317	165,316
FEMALE	75,313	31,645	22,784	13,294	7,590	78,824
Nfld.	5,809	3,064	1,491	798	456	6,063
Male	4,803	2,674	1,228	592	309	5,232
Female	1,006	390	263	206	147	831
P.E.I.	774	341	223	121	89	880
Male	487	263	90	69	65	593
Female	287	78	133	52	24	287
N.S.	9,662	4,224	2,791	1,647	1,000	12,526
Male	7,045	3,338	1,902	1,113	692	9,812
Female	2,617	886	889	534	308	2,714
N.B.	8,768	4,357	2,328	1,323	760	10,242
Male	6,244	3,221	1,547	953	523	7,969
Female	2,524	1,136	781	370	237	2,273
Que.	69,817	35,739	19,105	9,304	5,669	73,359
Male	47,685	26,548	12,525	5,194	3,418	51,038
Female	22,132	9,191	6,580	4,110	2,251	22,321
Ont.	69,843	35,321	18,326	9,467	6,729	78,959
Male	42,324	23,820	9,995	4,683	3,826	49,967
Female	27,519	11,501	8,331	4,784	2,903	28,992
Man.	7,928	4,197	1,775	1,128	828	11,314
Male	4,554	2,377	967	650	560	7,129
Female	3,374	1,820	808	478	268	4,185
Sask.	4,276	2,024	1,278	646	328	5,941
Male	2,345	1,271	601	288	185	3,603
Female	1,931	753	677	358	143	2,338
Alta.	13,290	7,051	3,536	1,789	914	13,676
Male	8,891	5,347	2,059	903	582	8,804
Female	4,399	1,704	1,477	886	332	4,872
B.C.	28,699	16,491	6,903	3,171	2,134	31,180
Male	19,175	12,305	4,058	1,655	1,157	21,169
Female	9,524	4,186	2,845	1,516	977	10,011

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month, by Province.(1)

Province	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
<u>October - 1963</u>							
Canada -	117,375	42,835	37,720	30,950	5,870	27,210	14,311
Nfld.	2,836	1,001	852	868	115	847	297
P.E.I.	308	126	89	80	13	121	40
N.S.	4,290	1,513	1,384	1,173	220	974	497
N.B.	3,947	1,453	1,242	1,076	176	989	530
Que.	36,923	13,536	12,436	9,248	1,703	8,956	4,580
Ont.	39,792	14,761	12,705	10,203	2,123	8,717	4,772
Man.	4,052	1,434	1,094	1,321	203	941	435
Sask.	1,999	755	428	694	122	580	185
Alta.	7,364	2,773	2,229	1,968	394	1,769	972
B.C.	15,864	5,483	5,261	4,319	801	3,316	2,003

<u>October - 1962</u>							
Canada -	131,265	49,066	42,824	33,649	5,726	33,010	17,057
Nfld.	3,035	1,080	955	878	122	893	457
P.E.I.	394	163	130	88	13	108	42
N.S.	5,640	2,198	1,941	1,313	188	1,322	689
N.B.	5,048	1,955	1,710	1,174	209	1,265	703
Que.	38,930	15,324	12,879	8,972	1,755	10,020	5,189
Ont.	45,523	17,188	14,517	11,798	2,020	10,468	5,437
Man.	5,412	1,859	1,861	1,477	215	1,217	597
Sask.	2,900	1,106	793	898	103	1,021	357
Alta.	6,439	2,298	1,980	1,898	263	2,919	1,385
B.C.	17,944	5,895	6,058	5,153	838	3,777	2,201

(1) In addition 35,012 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,089 were special requests not granted and 2,553 were appeals by claimants. There were 7,209 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during October 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1) 1962	18,727 22,041	564 618	50 61	678 863	751 855	5,907 5,944	5,803 7,168	765 1,007	357 587	1,063 1,167	2,789 3,771
Claimants disqualified	1963 1962	33,042 36,555	798 732	89 146	1,160 1,142	853 981	10,382 11,237	11,911 14,964	1,286 1,059	852 723	2,205 1,856	3,506 3,715
Not unemployed	1963 1962	619 808	80 43	2 7	47 43	21 45	175 191	124 187	47 29	30 50	49 46	44 167
Not capable of and not available for work	1963 1962	10,089 9,823	187 185	32 46	324 305	239 298	2,798 2,709	3,866 3,866	499 444	378 302	705 636	1,061 1,032
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963 1962	238 141	- -	- -	5 1	13 1	133 77	49 26	4 2	- -	15 -	19 34
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963 1962	1,580 1,747	13 6	10 34	73 112	19 41	515 572	676 686	49 42	42 62	62 69	121 123
Discharged for misconduct	1963 1962	1,558 1,274	34 24	4 2	45 45	45 43	619 429	500 477	40 35	19 12	84 76	168 131
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963 1962	8,059 7,393	187 130	15 16	340 277	250 230	2,224 1,972	2,762 2,730	309 301	170 175	595 444	1,207 1,118
Other reasons	1963 1962	10,899 15,369	297 344	26 41	326 359	266 323	3,918 5,287	3,934 6,992	338 206	213 122	695 585	885 1,110
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during October												
	1963	2,016	67	8	65	109	687	656	59	34	56	275

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - October - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	148.8	152.9
Newfoundland	3.7	4.3
Prince Edward Island	0.6	0.6
Nova Scotia	6.6	8.4
New Brunswick	6.0	6.7
Quebec	48.8	45.7
Ontario	50.0	51.3
Manitoba	5.3	6.1
Saskatchewan	2.9	3.5
Alberta	7.9	7.6
British Columbia	16.9	18.8

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Province	1963 - October - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	595,019	13,989,450	672,646	15,753,741
Nfld.	14,749	328,072	18,869	430,840
P.E.I.	2,483	48,499	2,762	57,714
N.S.	26,405	562,310	36,873	832,660
N.B.	23,881	513,468	29,361	644,427
Que.	195,242	4,641,072	201,187	4,748,126
Ont.	200,192	4,727,434	225,508	5,261,250
Man.	21,298	483,255	26,892	619,286
Sask.	11,628	254,793	15,223	332,970
Alta.	31,711	774,241	33,452	800,286
B.C.	67,430	1,656,306	82,519	2,026,182

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

October - 1963

Canada -	539,179	55,840	39,929
Newfoundland	12,641	2,108	1,754
Prince Edward Island	2,276	207	159
Nova Scotia	22,164	4,241	3,618
New Brunswick	20,338	3,543	2,844
Quebec	177,939	17,303	11,273
Ontario	182,628	17,564	12,423
Manitoba	19,589	1,709	1,259
Saskatchewan	10,738	890	623
Alberta	28,802	2,909	2,071
British Columbia	62,064	5,366	3,905

October - 1962

Canada -	609,904	62,742	45,564
Newfoundland	16,558	2,311	1,845
Prince Edward Island	2,511	251	212
Nova Scotia	31,312	5,561	4,668
New Brunswick	25,427	3,934	2,877
Quebec	183,227	17,960	11,760
Ontario	205,265	20,243	14,333
Manitoba	24,657	2,235	1,652
Saskatchewan	13,967	1,256	884
Alberta	30,587	2,865	2,017
British Columbia	76,393	6,126	5,316

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and **no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to

certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

Geographical classification: The provinces as defined in this bulletin are administrative entities. Hence, Ontario excludes Sioux Lookout for which data are included with Manitoba; British Columbia includes Whitehorse; Quebec excludes Magdalen Islands for which data are included in New Brunswick.

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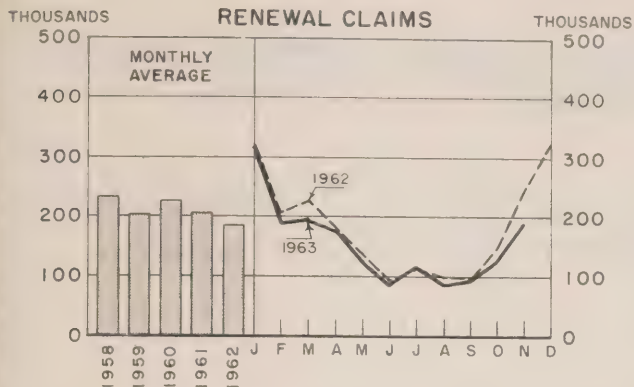
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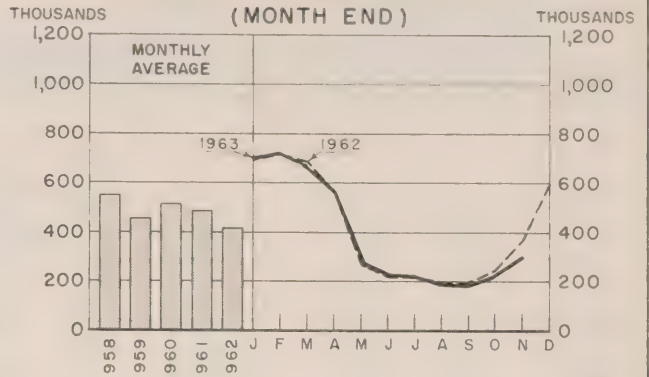
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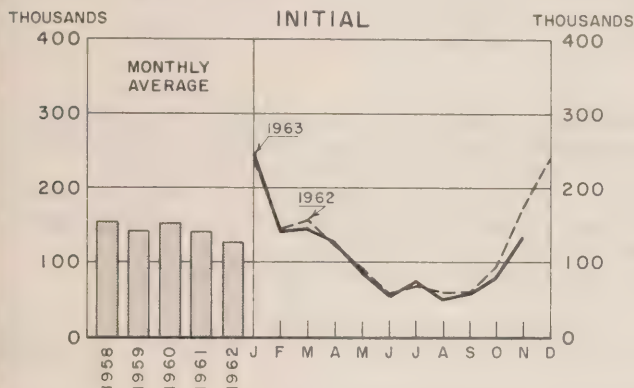
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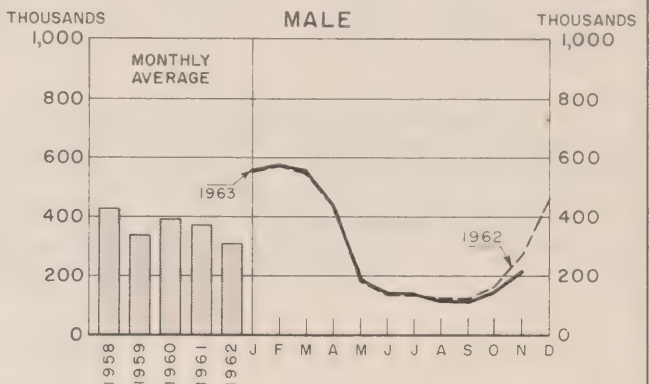
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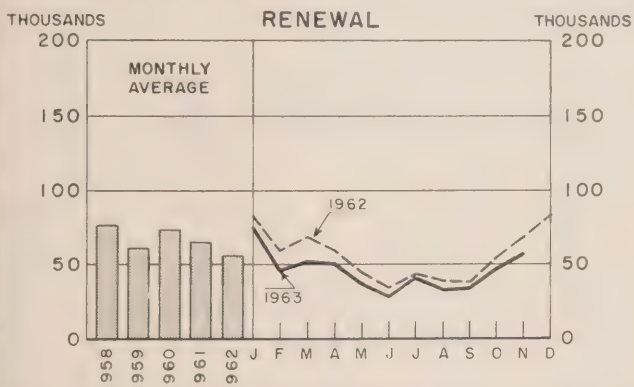
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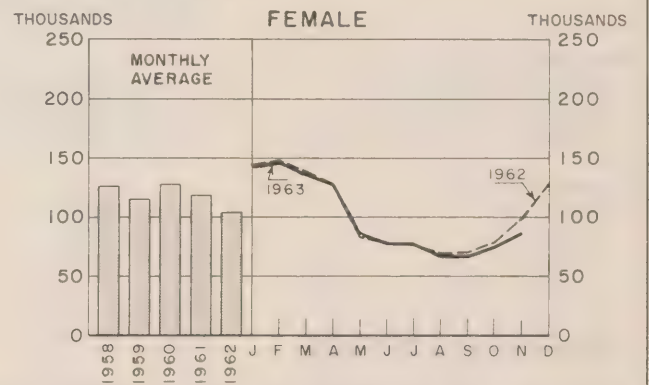
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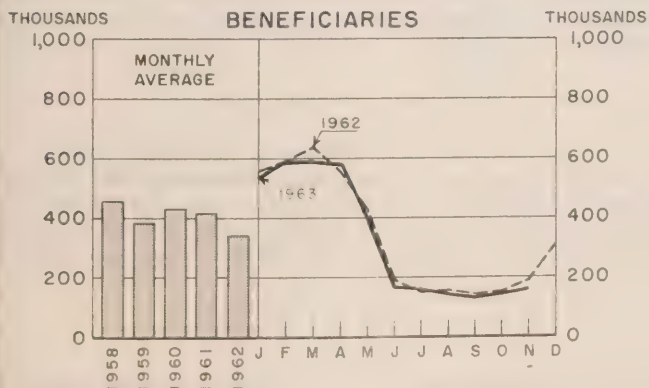
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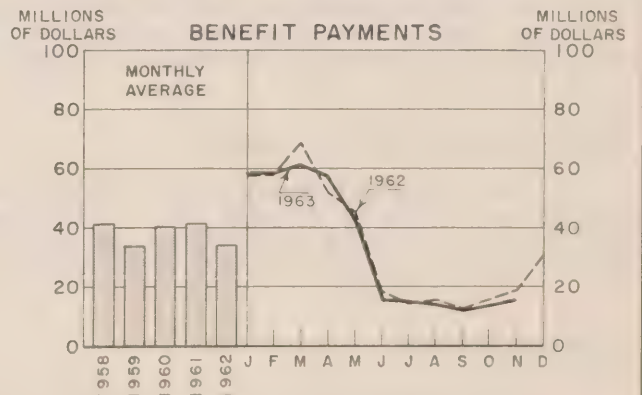
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BENEFIT PAYMENTS



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

NOVEMBER 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit numbered 303,400 on November 29, 40 per cent higher than the total of 218,900 on October 31 but 20 per cent below the November 30, 1962 figure of 374,200. Month-to-month and year-over-year percentage changes, by sex, are as follows:

	Percentage changes		
	October-to-November		November 1962
	1963	1962	to November 1963
Both sexes	+ 39	+ 53	- 19
Males	+ 51	+ 66	- 21
Females	+ 15	+ 26	- 13

Between 85 and 90 per cent of the October-to-November increment was accounted for by males, who comprise 72 per cent of the current total, in comparison with 66 per cent on October 31 and 74 per cent on November 30, 1962.

Persons coming on claim during the month made up 60 per cent of the November 29 total, as against 52 per cent on October 31. These proportions, by sex, are as follows:

	Number of weeks on claim				
	Total	1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or over
Per cent					
November 29, 1963					
Both sexes	100	60	24	10	6
Male	100	66	21	8	5
Female	100	46	30	16	8
October 31, 1963					
Both sexes	100	52	26	13	9
Male	100	57	24	11	8
Female	100	42	30	18	10

Initial and renewal claims

A total of 189,400 initial and renewal claims were filed at local offices across Canada during the month. This is 50 per cent above the October volume of 126,200, but is between 20 and 25 per cent fewer than the total of 243,600 claims for November 1962.

Beneficiaries and benefit payments

The average weekly number of beneficiaries was estimated at 161,200 for November, 148,800 for October and 189,000 for November 1962. Benefit payments, at \$15.5 million, were 20 per cent lower than one year ago (\$18.9 million), but were up 10 per cent from the \$14.0 million paid out in October. The average weekly payment was \$23.98 for November, \$23.51 for October and \$23.85 for November 1962.

Claims by Province

All provinces shared in the November rise in the claimant count. Half this increment occurred in the two central provinces of Quebec and Ontario; however, the percentage increases elsewhere were substantially above those for the two central provinces.

Percentage changes in the month-end claimant count

	October 31 to November 29, 1963			November 30, 1962 to November 29, 1963			October 31 to November 30, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 39	+ 51	+ 15	- 19	- 21	- 13	+ 53	+ 66	+ 26
Nfld.	+ 109	+ 123	+ 45	- 13	- 16	+ 11	+ 131	+ 143	+ 58
P.E.I.	+ 140	+ 183	+ 67	- 26	- 28	- 19	+ 185	+ 223	+ 106
N.S.	+ 48	+ 59	+ 19	- 26	- 30	- 6	+ 54	+ 63	+ 22
N.B.	+ 54	+ 60	+ 40	- 25	- 30	- 5	+ 76	+ 79	+ 64
Que.	+ 31	+ 38	+ 14	- 18	- 20	- 14	+ 52	+ 61	+ 32
Ont.	+ 28	+ 39	+ 12	- 18	- 21	- 13	+ 39	+ 49	+ 22
Man.	+ 55	+ 99	- 5	- 34	- 36	- 29	+ 65	+ 99	+ 8
Sask.	+ 90	+ 157	+ 8	- 30	- 32	- 26	+ 96	+ 145	+ 21
Alta.	+ 59	+ 73	+ 31	- 5	- 6	- 3	+ 64	+ 87	+ 21
B.C.	+ 36	+ 47	+ 12	- 16	- 17	- 13	+ 49	+ 61	+ 23

Variations in the rate of monthly increase, as between this year and last, are revealed in columns 1-3 and 7-9. Percentages are smaller this year except for Manitoba and Saskatchewan males and Alberta females.

The November claim load was substantially higher than October in all provinces.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	October to November 1963			November 1962 to November 1963			October to November 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 50	+ 66	+ 22	- 22	- 25	- 16	+ 62	+ 84	+ 24
Nfld.	+ 146	+ 204	+ 25	- 19	- 18	- 26	+ 166	+ 238	+ 35
P.E.I.	+ 253*	+ 337*	+ 64	- 31	- 30	- 40	+ 347*	+ 468*	+ 114
N.S.	+ 84	+ 115	+ 30	- 22	- 23	- 21	+ 70	+ 102	+ 17
N.B.	+ 85	+ 115	+ 30	- 31	- 32	- 29	+ 104	+ 148	+ 30
Que.	+ 40	+ 54	+ 17	- 22	- 25	- 14	+ 60	+ 82	+ 24
Ont.	+ 32	+ 42	+ 16	- 23	- 26	- 16	+ 40	+ 53	+ 16
Man.	+ 107	+ 132	+ 56	- 31	- 30	- 35	+ 128	+ 164	+ 64
Sask.	+ 170	+ 176	+ 152	- 28	- 30	- 22	+ 136	+ 157	+ 83
Alta.	+ 66	+ 75	+ 50	- 12	- 14	- 7	+ 67	+ 78	+ 47
B.C.	+ 39	+ 56	+ 11	- 18	- 20	- 11	+ 47	+ 69	+ 9

* Numbers involved are relatively small.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary table

Activity	Nov. 1963	Oct. 1963	Nov. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Oct. 1963	Nov. 1962	January to November		12 months ending November	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,189	4,110	..	..	..	4,066*	..	4,072*
Initial and renewal claims filed	189	126	243	+ 50	- 22	1,692	1,868	2,016	2,226
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	303	219	374	+ 39	- 19	390*	398*	406*	415*
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	161	149	189	+ 8	- 15	327*	342*	326*	340*
Weeks compensated	645	595	794	+ 8	- 19	14,947	15,661	16,214	16,878
Benefit paid	\$ 15,467	13,989	18,934	+ 11	- 18	364,803	378,121	395,890	407,569

Average weekly benefit	\$ 23.98	23.51	23.85	+ 2	+ 1	24.41	24.14	24.42	24.15
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* Monthly average.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - October	4,189,000	3,970,100	218,900
September	4,114,000	3,927,700	186,300
August	4,125,000	3,932,500	192,500
July	4,078,000	3,859,000	219,000
June	4,068,000	3,847,700	220,300
May	3,996,000	3,725,100	270,900
April	4,173,000	3,607,100	565,900
March	4,242,000	3,556,700	685,300
February	4,264,000	3,543,500	720,500
January	4,259,000	3,555,900	703,100
1962 - December	4,223,000	3,631,000	592,000
November	4,110,000	3,735,800	374,200
October	4,009,000	3,764,900	244,100

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province.(1)

Province	1963 - November - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	189,375	132,612	56,763	243,563	175,672	67,891
Nfld.	7,773	6,484	1,289	9,599	7,863	1,736
P.E.I.	1,365	1,170	195	1,990	1,664	326
N.S.	8,472	6,265	2,207	10,891	8,115	2,776
N.B.	8,219	6,202	2,017	11,913	9,091	2,822
Que.	55,477	37,761	17,716	70,944	50,344	20,600
Ont.	54,802	36,939	17,863	71,210	49,987	21,223
Man.	9,379	7,072	2,307	13,675	10,110	3,565
Sask.	6,104	4,622	1,482	8,533	6,621	1,912
Alta.	13,110	8,909	4,201	14,846	10,345	4,501
B.C.	24,674	17,188	7,486	29,962	21,532	8,430

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 32,512.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Province and sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)	
		<u>November 29, 1963</u>				<u>November 30, 1962</u>
CANADA -	303,353	182,832	72,391	30,155	17,975	374,191
MALE	216,940	143,518	46,151	16,486	10,785	274,881
FEMALE	86,413	39,314	26,240	13,669	7,190	99,310
Nfld.	12,169	8,587	2,224	885	473	14,032
Male	10,707	7,951	1,817	646	293	12,720
Female	1,462	636	407	239	180	1,312
P.E.I.	1,858	1,481	186	137	54	2,504
Male	1,378	1,143	108	73	54	1,914
Female	480	338	78	64	-	590
N.S.	14,340	8,302	3,397	1,672	969	19,320
Male	11,219	6,894	2,475	1,175	675	15,998
Female	3,121	1,408	922	497	294	3,322
N.B.	13,540	8,551	3,011	1,113	865	17,990
Male	9,995	6,555	2,033	781	626	14,269
Female	3,545	1,996	978	332	239	3,721
Que.	91,277	53,072	23,161	9,610	5,434	111,469
Male	65,987	41,711	15,639	5,351	3,286	82,014
Female	25,290	11,361	7,522	4,259	2,148	29,455
Ont.	89,677	52,043	21,737	9,785	6,112	109,821
Male	58,904	37,846	12,729	4,806	3,523	74,468
Female	30,773	14,197	9,008	4,979	2,589	35,353
Man.	12,266	7,757	2,585	1,161	763	18,705
Male	9,065	6,288	1,501	724	552	14,190
Female	3,201	1,469	1,084	437	211	4,515
Sask.	8,116	5,490	1,556	746	324	11,641
Male	6,032	4,621	910	331	170	8,813
Female	2,084	869	646	415	154	2,828
Alta.	21,182	13,142	5,155	1,948	937	22,393
Male	15,420	11,135	2,805	980	500	16,474
Female	5,762	2,007	2,350	968	437	5,919
B.C.	38,928	24,407	9,379	3,098	2,044	46,316
Male	28,233	19,374	6,134	1,619	1,106	34,021
Female	10,695	5,033	3,245	1,479	938	12,295

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month, by Province.(1)

Province	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		

November - 1963

Canada -	153,289	64,419	46,693	36,124	6,053	59,279	18,328
Nfld.	5,146	2,941	1,004	1,063	138	3,327	444
P.E.I.	650	330	130	170	20	791	85
N.S.	6,393	2,866	1,766	1,541	220	2,832	718
N.B.	6,639	3,166	1,869	1,446	158	2,579	520
Que.	44,636	18,587	14,541	9,890	1,618	18,240	6,137
Ont.	47,368	18,975	15,132	11,030	2,231	15,651	5,272
Man.	7,691	3,565	1,782	2,039	305	2,409	655
Sask.	3,674	1,684	818	1,039	133	2,479	716
Alta.	11,015	4,458	3,393	2,766	398	3,454	1,382
B.C.	20,077	7,847	6,258	5,140	832	7,517	2,399

November - 1962

Canada -	194,160	92,036	57,852	38,436	5,836	78,210	21,260
Nfld.	5,728	3,010	1,455	1,131	132	4,615	606
P.E.I.	1,090	627	251	189	23	956	94
N.S.	8,277	4,043	2,301	1,571	362	3,823	802
N.B.	9,059	4,784	2,545	1,567	163	4,005	817
Que.	57,810	27,914	17,608	10,475	1,813	21,975	6,368
Ont.	59,723	27,257	18,164	12,253	2,049	20,932	6,442
Man.	9,503	4,688	2,764	1,851	200	4,801	1,203
Sask.	5,644	3,043	1,352	1,144	105	3,455	812
Alta.	12,130	5,673	3,840	2,338	279	5,253	1,767
B.C.	25,196	10,997	7,572	5,917	710	8,395	2,349

(1) In addition 31,589 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,285 were special requests not granted and 2,535 were appeals by claimants. There were 8,132 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during November 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1) 1962	24,522 26,336	738 820	121 136	1,086 1,029	1,104 1,188	6,840 7,017	6,862 7,976	1,389 1,333	707 789	1,907 1,539	3,768 4,509
Claimants disqualified	1963 1962	29,146 31,445	714 733	129 138	1,061 1,364	846 891	8,536 9,669	10,660 11,518	1,392 1,177	699 688	1,840 1,828	3,269 3,439
Not unemployed	1963 1962	626 899	22 35	5 8	54 173	27 51	151 176	162 186	37 46	42 57	51 64	75 103
Not capable of and not available for work	1963 1962	9,313 9,383	192 184	33 41	275 278	259 277	2,485 2,678	3,682 3,521	573 475	306 297	552 567	956 1,065
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963 1962	107 227	2 -	- -	17 9	5 -	36 78	41 57	- 1	- -	- -	6 82
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963 1962	1,231 1,405	3 21	12 9	52 61	25 22	368 465	542 605	38 24	26 34	59 65	106 99
Discharged for misconduct	1963 1962	1,508 1,522	19 31	5 4	51 68	39 40	527 579	532 506	65 48	26 22	100 74	144 150
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963 1962	7,325 7,755	212 212	30 30	274 383	212 224	1,952 2,123	2,539 2,567	352 354	172 197	531 574	1,051 1,091
Other reasons	1963 1962	9,036 10,254	264 250	44 46	338 392	279 277	3,017 3,570	3,162 4,076	327 229	127 81	547 484	931 849
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during November												
	1963	2,844	110	19	109	155	838	907	121	34	141	410

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - November - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	161.2	189.0
Newfoundland	4.6	5.6
Prince Edward Island	0.6	0.8
Nova Scotia	7.2	9.6
New Brunswick	6.9	8.5
Quebec	51.7	56.4
Ontario	51.0	61.0
Manitoba	6.2	9.2
Saskatchewan	3.1	5.0
Alberta	9.4	10.2
British Columbia	20.5	22.8

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Province	1963 - November - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	644,981	15,467,326	793,921	18,933,673
Nfld.	18,351	426,280	23,546	554,733
P.E.I.	2,404	50,163	3,244	67,271
N.S.	28,864	618,755	40,216	895,052
N.B.	27,445	591,878	35,754	798,324
Que.	206,961	5,002,907	236,735	5,654,041
Ont.	204,171	4,887,937	256,303	6,094,820
Man.	24,937	587,591	38,581	921,087
Sask.	12,516	287,578	20,812	486,673
Alta.	37,457	944,083	43,017	1,045,647
B.C.	81,875	2,070,154	95,713	2,416,025

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

November - 1963

Canada -	584,007	60,974	44,254
Newfoundland	15,753	2,598	2,232
Prince Edward Island	2,209	195	135
Nova Scotia	24,610	4,254	3,474
New Brunswick	23,727	3,718	2,849
Quebec	187,458	19,503	13,490
Ontario	186,626	17,545	12,145
Manitoba	22,694	2,243	1,508
Saskatchewan	11,511	1,005	663
Alberta	34,036	3,421	2,318
British Columbia	75,383	6,492	5,440

November - 1962

Canada -	716,358	77,563	55,630
Newfoundland	20,283	3,263	2,639
Prince Edward Island	2,905	339	246
Nova Scotia	34,057	6,159	5,088
New Brunswick	31,081	4,673	3,424
Quebec	214,132	22,603	14,916
Ontario	232,653	23,650	16,673
Manitoba	35,176	3,405	2,297
Saskatchewan	19,097	1,715	1,191
Alberta	38,943	4,074	2,873
British Columbia	88,031	7,682	6,283

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established **and no disqualification imposed** and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to

certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

Geographical classification: The provinces as defined in this bulletin are administrative entities. Hence, Ontario excludes Sioux Lookout for which data are included with Manitoba; British Columbia includes Whitehorse; Quebec excludes Magdalen Islands for which data are included in New Brunswick.

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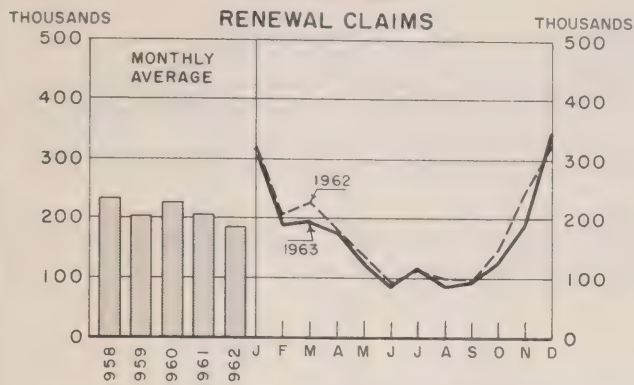
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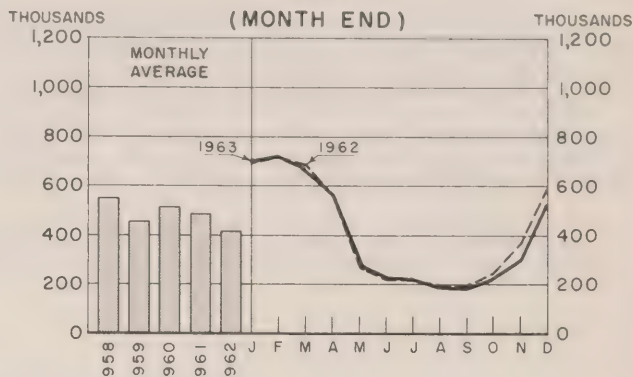
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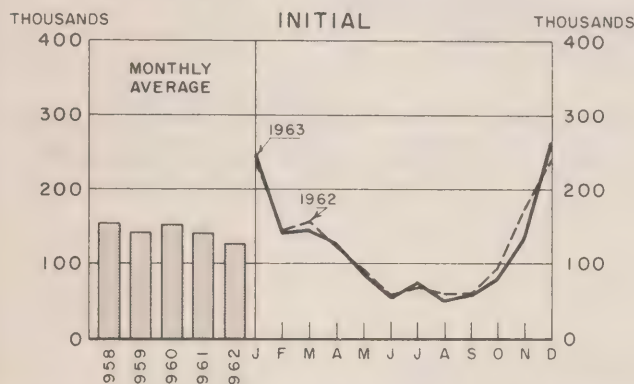
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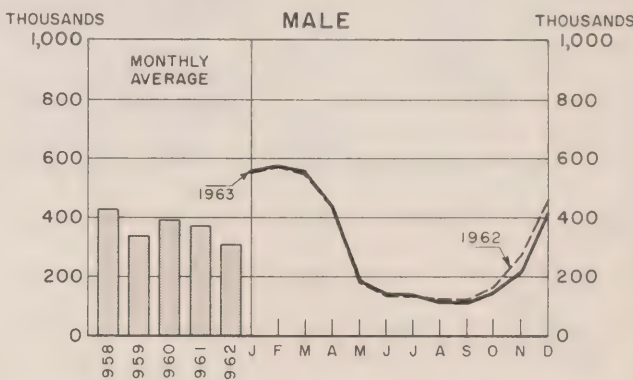
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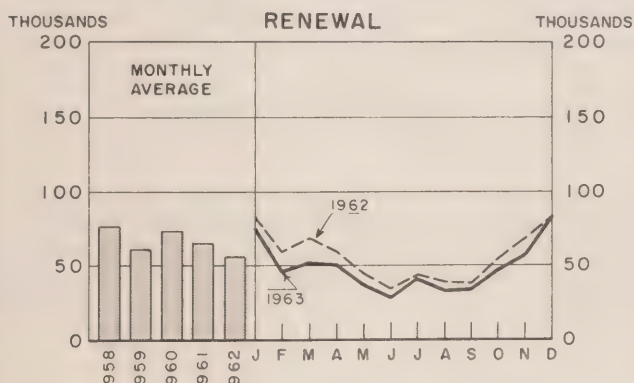
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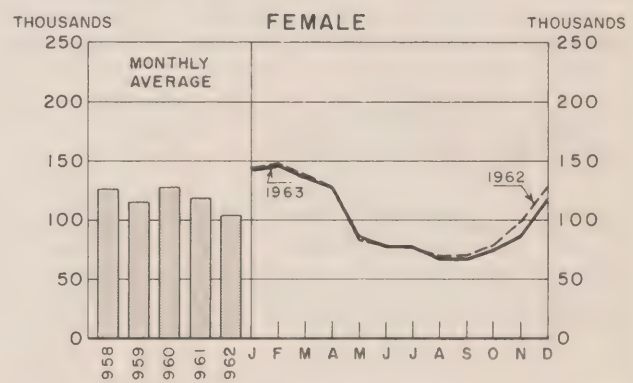
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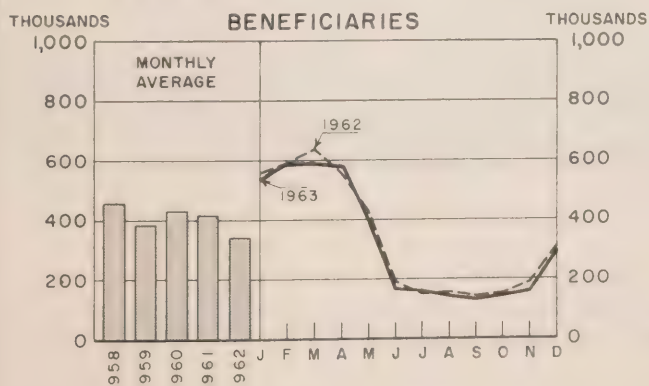
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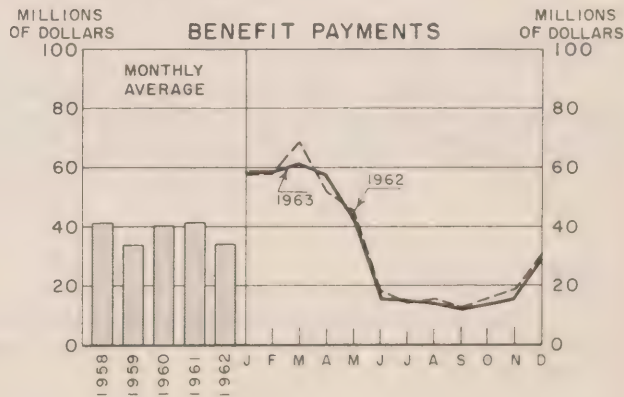
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BENEFICIARIES



BENEFIT PAYMENTS



CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

DECEMBER 1963

Claimants at month-end: volume and type

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit on December 31, 1963 numbered 532,300, ten per cent below the total of 592,000 recorded the same date last year. These totals comprise regular and seasonal(1) benefit claimants numbering 451,400 and 80,900 respectively, at December 31, 1963, and 496,600 and 95,300 on December 31, 1962. On November 29, 1963 claimants numbered 303,400, of whom 3,000 were identified as seasonal benefit.

More than 90 per cent of the males reporting on December 31, 1963 came on claim during the last quarter of the year. For females the proportion was below 80 per cent.

Percentage distribution of claimants by number of weeks on continuous claim

December 31, 1963					December 31, 1962			
	Total	13 or less	14-26	27 or more	Total	13 or less	14-26	27 or more
Total	100	89	8	4	100	88	8	4
Male	100	92	6	3	100	91	6	3
Female	100	78	15	7	100	79	14	7

Percentage changes in month-end claimant count

	November 29 to December 31, 1963			December 31, 1962 to December 31, 1963			November 30 to December 31, 1962		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada	+ 75	+ 91	+ 36	- 10	- 11	- 8	+ 58	+ 69	+ 29
Nfld.	+ 133	+ 149	+ 22	- 14	- 14	- 16	+ 135	+ 143	+ 62
P.E.I.	+ 201	+ 235	+ 103	- 7	- 8	- 2	+ 140	+ 162	+ 68
N.S.	+ 101	+ 121	+ 31	- 6	- 6	- 7	+ 60	+ 66	+ 32
N.B.	+ 98	+ 114	+ 53	- 14	- 17	+ 1	+ 72	+ 80	+ 44
Que.	+ 82	+ 98	+ 40	- 7	- 7	- 8	+ 61	+ 72	+ 30
Ont.	+ 70	+ 86	+ 40	- 9	- 10	- 5	+ 52	+ 64	+ 29
Man.	+ 76	+ 90	+ 38	- 25	- 24	- 29	+ 54	+ 60	+ 37
Sask.	+ 104	+ 125	+ 42	- 17	- 18	- 15	+ 72	+ 88	+ 23
Alta.	+ 33	+ 46	- 1	- 3	- 3	- 6	+ 31	+ 41	+ 2
B.C.	+ 47	+ 55	+ 26	- 13	- 13	- 14	+ 43	+ 49	+ 27

All provinces reported a substantial percentage increase in the December claim load, the smallest being in Alberta.

Percentage changes in claims filed

	November to December 1963			December 1962 to December 1963			November to December 1962		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada	+ 82	+ 97	+ 47	+ 7	+ 9	+ 1	+ 33	+ 37	+ 22
Nfld.	+ 164	+ 188	+ 39	+ 8	+ 9	- 3	+ 97	+ 117	+ 7
P.E.I.	+ 203	+ 219	+ 108	+ 4	+ 3	+ 9	+ 100	+ 117	+ 14
N.S.	+ 121	+ 140	+ 68	+ 17	+ 19	+ 12	+ 46	+ 56	+ 19
N.B.	+ 112	+ 136	+ 37	+ 5	+ 9	- 11	+ 39	+ 48	+ 10
Que.	+ 99	+ 118	+ 60	+ 9	+ 11	+ 1	+ 43	+ 47	+ 35
Ont.	+ 83	+ 92	+ 65	+ 6	+ 8	+ 3	+ 33	+ 32	+ 35
Man.	+ 45	+ 51	+ 26	- 6	- 4	- 11	+ 5	+ 10	- 9
Sask.	+ 89	+ 100	+ 54	+ 6	+ 7	+ 2	+ 28	+ 31	+ 16
Alta.	+ 14	+ 26	- 11	+ 6	+ 9	-	- 5	-	- 17
B.C.	+ 37	+ 49	+ 8	+ 2	+ 4	- 4	+ 10	+ 14	-

Summary table

Activity	Dec. 1963	Nov. 1963	Dec. 1962	% Change from		Cumulative data			
				Nov. 1963	Dec. 1962	January to December		12 months ending December	
						1963	1962	1963	1962
	(Thousands)					(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Insured population as at month-end	..	4,179	4,223	..	..	..	4,079*	..	4,079*
Initial and renewal claims filed	345	189	324	+ 82**	+ 7	2,038	2,192	2,038	2,192
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	532	303	592	+ 75**	- 10	402*	414*	402*	414*
Regular	451	300	497	+ 50**	- 9				
S.B.	81	3	95	**	- 15				
S.B. Fishing	19	-	19	**	- 5				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	294	161	317	+ 82**	- 7	324*	340*	324*	340*
Weeks compensated	1,175	645	1,267	+ 82**	- 7	16,122	16,928	16,122	16,928
Benefit paid	\$29,361	15,467	31,087	+ 90**	- 6	394,163	409,208	394,163	409,208

Average weekly benefit	\$ 24.99	23.98	24.54	+ 4	+ 2	24.45	24.17	24.45	24.17
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* Monthly average.

** November to December comparisons affected by commencement of seasonal benefit on December 2.

Table 1. - Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

End of:	Total	Employed	Claimants
1963 - November	4,179,000	3,875,600	303,400
October	4,120,000	3,901,100	218,900
September	4,114,000	3,927,700	186,300
August	4,125,000	3,932,500	192,500
July	4,078,000	3,859,000	219,000
June	4,068,000	3,847,700	220,300
May	3,996,000	3,725,100	270,900
April	4,173,000	3,607,100	565,900
March	4,242,000	3,556,700	685,300
February	4,264,000	3,543,500	720,500
January	4,259,000	3,555,900	703,100
1962 - December	4,223,000	3,631,000	592,000
November	4,110,000	3,735,800	374,200

Table 2. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Province. (1)

Province	1963 - December - 1962					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Canada -	345,306	261,881	83,425	323,844	241,050	82,794
Nfld.	20,485	18,694	1,791	18,943	17,094	1,849
P.E.I.	4,134	3,728	406	3,985	3,613	372
N.S.	18,715	15,014	3,701	15,937	12,632	3,305
N.B.	17,427	14,656	2,771	16,564	13,446	3,118
Que.	110,409	82,141	28,268	101,666	73,773	27,893
Ont.	100,348	70,882	29,466	94,379	65,794	28,585
Man.	13,575	10,679	2,896	14,400	11,149	3,251
Sask.	11,507	9,228	2,279	10,883	8,658	2,225
Alta.	14,949	11,192	3,757	14,042	10,301	3,741
B.C.	33,757	25,667	8,090	33,045	24,590	8,455

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 40,128.

Table 3. - Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex.

(Counted on last working day of the month)

Province and sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)	
		<u>December 31, 1963</u>				<u>December 31, 1962</u>
CANADA -	532,331	347,124	124,958	39,775	20,474	591,965
MALE	415,106	287,439	92,852	22,638	12,177	464,007
FEMALE	117,225	59,685	32,106	17,137	8,297	127,958
Nfld.	28,396	22,602	3,997	1,186	611	32,985
Male	26,614	21,732	3,554	933	395	30,859
Female	1,782	870	443	253	216	2,126
P.E.I.	5,589	4,673	683	168	65	6,013
Male	4,617	3,953	520	100	44	5,024
Female	972	720	163	68	21	989
N.S.	28,894	19,252	6,448	2,024	1,170	30,896
Male	24,815	17,383	5,281	1,362	789	26,496
Female	4,079	1,869	1,167	662	381	4,400
N.B.	26,790	18,350	6,103	1,500	837	31,024
Male	21,350	15,440	4,341	979	590	25,661
Female	5,440	2,910	1,762	521	247	5,363
Que.	166,217	109,171	38,467	12,475	6,104	179,327
Male	130,864	90,578	29,238	7,472	3,576	141,076
Female	35,353	18,593	9,229	5,003	2,528	38,251
Ont.	152,621	95,781	36,491	12,763	7,586	167,299
Male	109,606	73,195	25,364	6,663	4,384	121,810
Female	43,015	22,586	11,127	6,100	3,202	45,489
Man.	21,635	13,697	5,668	1,436	834	28,844
Male	17,204	11,643	4,204	770	587	22,637
Female	4,431	2,054	1,464	666	247	6,207
Sask.	16,561	12,124	3,209	940	288	20,046
Male	13,592	10,548	2,468	429	147	16,555
Female	2,969	1,576	741	511	141	3,491
Alta.	28,275	16,118	8,655	2,508	994	29,237
Male	22,573	14,093	6,642	1,245	593	23,191
Female	5,702	2,025	2,013	1,263	401	6,046
B.C.	57,353	35,356	15,237	4,775	1,985	66,294
Male	43,871	28,874	11,240	2,685	1,072	50,698
Female	13,482	6,482	3,997	2,090	913	15,596

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

Table 4. - Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month, by Province.(1)

Province	A d j u d i c a t e d					P e n d i n g	
	Total	Entitled to Benefit		Not Entitled to Benefit		Initial	Renewal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		

December - 1963

Canada -	296,827	183,584	67,202	39,697	6,344	97,879	28,207
Nfld.	18,429	14,893	1,521	1,870	145	5,258	569
P.E.I.	3,999	3,320	341	317	21	882	129
N.S.	15,653	10,677	3,016	1,747	213	5,422	1,190
N.B.	14,976	10,950	2,149	1,692	185	4,593	957
Que.	88,101	52,257	22,243	11,673	1,928	36,451	10,234
Ont.	84,965	48,325	22,919	11,583	2,138	26,625	9,681
Man.	13,033	8,440	2,472	1,868	253	2,780	826
Sask.	10,264	6,495	1,998	1,552	219	3,660	778
Alta.	14,937	8,603	3,503	2,407	424	3,636	1,212
B.C.	32,470	19,624	7,040	4,988	818	8,572	2,631

December - 1962

Canada -	292,071	179,345	67,627	39,769	5,330	100,146	31,097
Nfld.	14,503	11,365	1,314	1,697	127	8,647	1,014
P.E.I.	3,657	3,091	271	271	24	1,207	171
N.S.	14,016	9,545	2,614	1,668	189	5,242	1,304
N.B.	15,680	11,124	2,567	1,806	183	4,521	1,185
Que.	85,038	50,005	21,684	11,575	1,774	34,168	10,803
Ont.	83,728	48,232	22,340	11,347	1,809	27,147	10,878
Man.	15,771	9,935	3,308	2,300	228	3,715	918
Sask.	10,340	6,753	1,942	1,523	122	3,837	973
Alta.	15,951	9,400	3,925	2,327	299	3,827	1,284
B.C.	33,387	19,895	7,662	5,255	575	7,835	2,567

(1) In addition 37,977 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,965 were special requests not granted and 2,452 were appeals by claimants. There were 10,283 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

Table 5. - Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province during December 1963 and 1962 with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement.

Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement	Year	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established	1963(1)	23,807	1,325	183	1,066	1,205	7,049	6,622	1,080	772	1,350	3,155
	1962	24,653	1,112	172	1,102	1,293	7,173	6,667	1,369	891	1,315	3,559
Claimants disqualified	1963	34,024	966	216	1,429	1,040	10,918	10,672	1,597	1,314	2,110	3,762
	1962	30,948	936	155	1,141	1,008	9,458	10,503	1,604	957	1,890	3,296
Not unemployed	1963	1,127	32	18	79	30	326	234	92	121	68	127
	1962	1,274	28	27	59	68	340	297	96	158	81	120
Not capable of and not available for work	1963	10,289	219	56	374	307	3,150	3,510	562	463	592	1,056
	1962	10,370	304	44	335	331	2,885	3,814	601	348	635	1,073
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	1963	78	-	-	-	-	24	54	-	-	-	-
	1962	191	-	-	1	-	44	28	-	-	3	115
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	1963	1,414	7	11	54	38	564	477	46	45	58	114
	1962	1,463	12	9	63	34	435	604	61	47	86	112
Discharged for misconduct	1963	1,779	25	7	76	42	651	558	73	42	115	190
	1962	1,444	27	2	50	40	460	512	78	38	105	132
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	1963	8,639	258	55	298	263	2,603	2,661	416	352	616	1,117
	1962	7,456	228	32	250	217	2,234	2,179	514	260	586	956
Other reasons	1963	10,698	425	69	548	360	3,600	3,178	408	291	661	1,158
	1962	8,750	337	41	383	318	3,060	3,069	254	106	394	788
(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during December												
	1963	5,073	311	65	212	400	1,552	1,294	223	145	238	633

Table 6. - Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province.

Province	Average per week	
	1963 - December - 1962	
	(in thousands)	
Canada -	293.8	316.7
Newfoundland	12.6	10.7
Prince Edward Island	2.3	2.8
Nova Scotia	15.1	16.1
New Brunswick	15.0	16.0
Quebec	87.1	95.8
Ontario	87.4	94.8
Manitoba	13.1	15.2
Saskatchewan	7.9	9.9
Alberta	18.5	18.1
British Columbia	34.7	37.4

Table 7. - Benefit Payments, by Province.

Province	1963 - December - 1962			
	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)	Weeks	Amount (in dollars)
Canada -	1,175,063	29,360,512	1,266,735	31,086,589
Nfld.	50,496	1,209,768	42,599	1,036,182
P.E.I.	9,357	203,447	11,175	241,007
N.S.	60,324	1,334,485	64,242	1,438,226
N.B.	60,015	1,319,635	63,938	1,434,028
Que.	348,222	8,839,688	383,012	9,338,452
Ont.	349,659	8,770,183	379,024	9,316,331
Man.	52,530	1,310,691	60,824	1,524,574
Sask.	31,757	795,057	39,793	965,939
Alta.	73,880	1,897,449	72,389	1,847,732
B.C.	138,823	3,680,109	149,739	3,944,118

Table 8. - Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province.

Province	Complete Weeks	Partial Weeks	
		T o t a l	Due to Excess Earnings

December - 1963

Canada -	1,080,586	94,477	64,945
Newfoundland	46,164	4,332	3,511
Prince Edward Island	8,636	721	524
Nova Scotia	53,307	7,017	5,377
New Brunswick	54,181	5,834	4,137
Quebec	316,961	31,261	21,292
Ontario	327,946	21,713	13,104
Manitoba	48,293	4,237	2,710
Saskatchewan	29,259	2,498	1,605
Alberta	67,948	5,932	3,984
British Columbia	127,891	10,932	8,701

December - 1962

Canada -	1,165,912	100,823	68,681
Newfoundland	39,066	3,533	2,688
Prince Edward Island	10,260	915	676
Nova Scotia	57,262	6,980	5,451
New Brunswick	57,814	6,124	4,370
Quebec	350,935	32,077	20,257
Ontario	351,925	27,099	17,381
Manitoba	56,446	4,378	2,970
Saskatchewan	36,889	2,904	2,030
Alberta	66,549	5,840	3,648
British Columbia	138,766	10,973	9,210

Seasonal Benefit, 1963-64 period

Provisions regulating the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 25, 1963 to mid-May 1964, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 9(1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. As a result, claimants exhausting their rights to seasonal benefit and wishing to be re-considered for benefit during this interval would be tested under the regular provisions. However, since the minimum establishment is 12 weeks, (2) exhaustion will not occur before February 22.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, i.e. a minimum of 15 contribution weeks since March 30, 1963. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class is based entirely on contributions during this period, i.e. since March 30, 1963. The authorization will be 5 full weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution(2).

Cases failing under class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 18, 1963. The authorization will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate(3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen)(4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F.).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing December 2.
- (2) While the minimum entitlement on SBA claims is 13 weeks (SBB, 12 weeks) claims established subsequent to the week ending February 29, 1964 provide entitlement only for the number of weeks remaining between the date of establishment and May 16.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

Table 3a. - Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province.

Province	1963 - December - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	80,913	64,620	16,293	95,338	76,375	18,963
Nfld.	11,772	11,450	322	12,035	11,786	249
P.E.I.	2,403	2,028	375	2,162	1,817	345
N.S.	6,720	5,975	745	6,714	5,818	896
N.B.	6,965	5,549	1,416	8,048	6,529	1,519
Que.	18,463	13,911	4,552	25,120	20,023	5,097
Ont.	16,681	11,329	5,352	19,916	13,541	6,375
Man.	3,034	2,565	469	4,483	3,530	953
Sask.	2,228	1,767	461	2,523	2,099	424
Alta.	3,139	2,466	673	2,976	2,430	546
B.C.	9,508	7,580	1,928	11,361	8,802	2,559

Table 3b. - Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a.

Province	1963 - December - 1962					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Canada -	18,511	18,436	75	19,421	19,335	86
Nfld.	8,060	8,060	-	9,288	9,287	1
P.E.I.	1,345	1,324	21	1,208	1,169	39
N.S.	2,504	2,499	5	2,096	2,095	1
N.B.	2,245	2,221	24	2,497	2,485	12
Que.	763	757	6	755	753	2
Ont.	435	433	2	298	291	7
Man.	91	91	-	30	30	-
Sask.	1	1	-	2	2	-
Alta.	12	12	-	2	2	-
B.C.	3,055	3,038	17	3,245	3,221	24

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.

Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the number of payment documents, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to

certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

Geographical classification: The provinces as defined in this bulletin are administrative entities. Hence, Ontario excludes Sioux Lookout for which data are included with Manitoba; British Columbia includes Whitehorse; Quebec excludes Magdalen Islands for which data are included in New Brunswick.

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